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The Cover: The Anson County Courthouse in Wadesboro, North Carolina, representative of the Beaux-Arts phase of the Neo-Classical Revival style, was completed in 1914. The structure is two-and-one-half stories high and is composed of a main block with north and south wings faced with pedimented porticoes. The main facade is fronted by a portico surmounted by a frontispiece which bears the seal of North Carolina and the construction date. The County of Anson is located in the south central region of the State, adjacent to South Carolina. Wadesboro was established in 1783 as the county seat.

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The Honorable James G. Exum, Jr., Chief Justice
The Supreme Court of North Carolina
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Chief Justice:

In accord with Section 7A-343 of the North Carolina General Statutes, I herewith transmit the Twentieth Annual Report of the Administrative Office of the Courts, relating to the fiscal year, July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986.

Fiscal year 1985-86 marks the second consecutive year with significant increases in filings and dispositions in both the Superior and District Courts. During 1985-86, as compared to 1984-85, total case filings increased by 6.7% in Superior Court and by 8.7% in District Court; dispositions increased by 4.5% in Superior Court and by 6.3% in District Court. Because the rate of increase in filings was greater than the rate of increase in dispositions, more cases were pending at the end of the fiscal year than were pending at the beginning.

Appreciation is expressed to the many persons who participated in the data reporting, compilation, and writing required to produce this annual report. Within the Administrative Office of the Courts, principal responsibilities were shared by the Research and Planning Division and the Information Services Division. The principal burden of reporting the great mass of trial court data rested upon the offices of the clerks of superior court located in each of the one hundred counties of the State. The Clerk of the Supreme Court and the Clerk of the Court of Appeals provided the case data relating to our appellate courts.

Without the responsible work of many persons across the State this report would not have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin Freeman, Jr.

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Director

December, 1986

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PART I

THE 1985-1986 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

THE 1985-86 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

This *Annual Report* on the work of North Carolina's Judicial Department is for the fiscal year which began July 1, 1985 and ended June 30, 1986.

The Workload of the Courts

Case filings in the Supreme Court totaled 209 compared with 227 filed during 1984-85. A total of 733 petitions were filed in the Supreme Court, compared with 620 in 1984-85; and 129 petitions were allowed, compared with 111 in 1984-85.

For the Court of Appeals for 1985-86, case filings were 1,381 compared with 1,375 for the 1984-85 year. Petitions filed in 1985-86 totaled 546, compared with 484 during the 1984-85 year.

More detailed data on the appellate courts are included in Part II of this *Annual Report*.

In the superior courts, case filings (civil and criminal) increased by 6.7% to a total of 91,336 in 1985-86, compared with 85,569 cases in 1984-85. Superior court case dispositions also increased, to a total of 88,089 compared with 84,334 in 1984-85. As case filings during the year exceeded case dispositions, the total number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 3,247.

Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the statewide total of district court filings (civil and criminal) during 1985-86 was 1,682,321, an increase of 127,702 (8.2%) from 1984-85 filings of 1,554,619 cases. Much of this increase is attributable to increases in the motor vehicle criminal case category, with 67,174 cases (8.7%) more than the number of motor vehicle criminal cases in 1984-85; the civil magistrate case category, 21,973 cases (10.8%) more than the number of civil magistrate cases in 1984-85; and the general civil case category, 4,899 cases (11.4%) more than the number of general civil cases in 1984-85.

Operations of the superior and district courts are summarized in Part II of this Report, and detailed information on the caseloads in the 100 counties and 34 judicial districts is presented in Part IV.

1986 Legislative Highlights

Constitutional Amendment

The General Assembly approved an amendment for submission to a vote by the people at the November, 1986 General Election. The amendment concerns the time when an election must be held to fill the offices of Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals Judge, Superior or District Court Judge, District Attorney, or Clerk of Superior Court after a vacancy in any of these offices has been filled by appointment of the Governor. The proposed constitutional amendment provided that the offices would be filled at the next general election held *more than sixty days after the vacancy occurred*, rather than thirty days as presently provided. (At the November, 1986 General Election, this proposed amendment to Article IV, Sec. 19 of the State Constitution was approved by the voters.)

District Court Judge Vacancies

G.S. 7A-142, providing that the Governor will fill vacancies on the district court bench by appointment from a list of nominees provided by the district bar, was amended to require the Governor to make such appointments within 60 days after the bar submits nominations. The amended statute also provides that if a district bar had submitted nominations for a vacancy before the new law became effective, the Governor must make those appointments within 60 days from the effective date of the act. The act became effective on July 14, 1986.

Superior Court Elections

Chapter 957, 1986 Session Laws, effective July 9, 1986, amended G.S. 163-106(d) to eliminate the numbered-seat system for election of superior court judges.

A further statutory amendment provided that when two superior court seats with terms of different lengths in the same district must be filled at the same election, the full terms and expired terms are treated as different offices, and candidates may file for only one of the offices (Chapter 986, 1986 Session Laws); but if Chapter 986 is not pre-cleared under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, then in elections in which seats are unnumbered, candidates with the most votes get the longer terms (Chapter 987, 1986 Session Laws). (Note: Chapter 986 has been pre-cleared.)

Salaries

The General Assembly provided for salary increases for all officials and employees of the judicial department. Chapter 1014, 1986 Session Laws, specifically sets out the salaries of justices and judges, distict attorneys, public defenders, clerks and assistant and deputy clerks of superior court, and magistrates. The salaries of assistant district attorneys and assistant public defenders are to be established by district attorneys and public defenders respectively, subject to the statutory average salary limits and to the approval of the Administrative Officer of the Courts. Permanent employees of the judicial department not listed in Chapter 1014 received an across-the-board increase of $900 and are eligible for merit increases if they have been employed by the state for two or more years.

When a senior regular resident superior court judge becomes unable to perform his duties because of mental or physical incapacity, and another judge is appointed as a replacement on a temporary basis under G.S. 7A-41, Chapter 1014, Section 33 provides that the replacement judge will receive the increased salary normally paid to a senior regular resident superior court judge, and the judge whom he replaces will receive the salary of a superior court judge.

Chapter 1014, Section 223 also amended G.S. 7A-171.1(a) to add a new section providing that a magistrate with specified experience as a law enforcement officer or assistant or deputy clerk may be employed at a starting salary equivalent to that received by a magistrate with five-to-seven years' experience. This amendment applies only to magistrates initially appointed on or after July 1, 1986.

Finally, Section 224 of Chapter 1014 provides that "service" for the purpose of computation of longevity pay for a district attorney includes periods of employment as an assistant district attorney.

New Positions

Funding was allocated to support a previously authorized district court judgeship in the 10th Judicial District. Funding was also appropriated for the following additional positions in the judicial department: six assistant public defenders, seven magistrates, one paralegal and one secretary for a public defender's office, seven secretaries for district court judges, and twenty-one deputy clerks.

Child Support

In response to changes in federal law, the General Assembly passed three acts designed to improve child support collection procedures.

Expedited Procedures: Chapter 993, 1986 Session Laws, requires district court judges to dispose of child support claims within 60 days unless certain exceptions apply. Judicial districts which do not meet this time standard are subject to a federal requirement for establishment of expedited procedures as a condition to receiving federal funds, and the act sets forth expedited child support procedures to apply in such districts. Under these procedures, either a magistrate or the clerk of superior court (as designated by the chief district court judge, the Administrative Officer of the Courts, and the clerk) will initially hear and decide both child support claims and efforts to enforce child support orders. Parties may appeal the magistrate's or clerk's decision to a district court judge, who conducts a new hearing. In child support cases involving disputes over custody, visitation, or other complex issues, however, the clerk or magistrate issues only a temporary support order. The case is then transferred to district court and given priority over other district court cases.

Income Withholding: Chapter 949, 1986 Session Laws, establishes procedures for withholding wages and other incomes when a person under court order to pay child support is one month or more in arrearage. In IV-D cases, a district court hearing is required only if the obligated parent requests a hearing and was unable to resolve the issue by agreement. In non-IV-D cases, withholding must be initiated by district court order, but in all cases the act limits the grounds on which the judge may find that withholding should not be ordered.

Child Support Guidelines: The General Assembly directed the Conference of Chief District Court Judges to establish advisory guidelines for judges to use in computing child support amounts (Chapter 1016, 1986 Session Laws) (effective October 1, 1987).

Victim and Witness Assistance

An act was passed to provide at least one "victim and witness assistant" to each of the 35 district attorney offices (Chapter 998, 1986 Session Laws). The act establishes specific rights and services for crime victims and witnesses in criminal cases. Victim and witness assistants will be responsible for coordinating services provided by law enforcement and judicial systems. Such services include securing prompt return of property and providing information about scheduled proceedings, medical assistance, physical protection, witness fees, dispositions, and parole or other proceedings that may result in release from custody of certain felons. The Conference of District Attorneys is to assist in implementing and supervising the program, and, along with the Administrative Officer of the Courts, report annually to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

Investigative Grand Juries

The General Assembly authorized investigative grand juries in drug trafficking cases (Chapter 843, 1986 Session Laws). Heretofore, grand juries have had almost no investigative authority in North Carolina. Upon request of a district attorney and concurrence of the Attorney General, a special three judge panel appointed by the Chief Justice will determine whether an investigative grand jury should be convened. District attorneys are authorized to grant immunity to witnesses who refuse to testify, and refusal thereafter is punishable as contempt of court. Testimony heard by the grand jury is to be recorded by a court reporter.

Infractions Law Changes

The General Assembly extended the effective date of decriminalization of minor traffic offenses from July 1, 1986, to September 1, 1986 (Chapter 852, 1986 Session Laws). This act also provides a defendant with a jury trial in superior court after an appeal from district court, unless the defendant consents to trial without a jury.

Court Costs

The General Assembly amended G.S. 7A-304(a)(3) to increase criminal court costs by $3.00, effective January 1, 1987. The increased fees will be used for law enforcement retirement funds.

G.S. 7A-307, which provides for assessment of $.40 per $100 of the gross estate in administration of trusts under wills, was also amended. The amendment prohibits this assessment on personal property administered under a testamentary trust if the will was administered in North Carolina; and instead, a fee of $10 is assessed on the filing of each annual and final account in such trusts. The new law took effect on July 1, 1986, and applies to personal property received under a will on or after that date.

Appropriations

The 1986 Session of the General Assembly appropriated a total of $146,394,689 to the Judicial Department for the 1986-87 fiscal year. Of this amount, $9,449,333 is for private assigned counsel fees for representing indigents.

PART II

COURT SYSTEM ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

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HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

From its early colonial period North Carolina's judicial system has been the focus of periodic attention and adjustment. Through the years, there has been a repeated sequence of critical examination, proposals for reform, and finally the enactment of some reform measures.

Colonial Period

Around 1700 the royal governor established a General (or Supreme) Court for the colony and a dispute developed over the appointment of associate justices. The Assembly conceded to the King the right to name the chief justice but unsuccessfully tried to win for itself the power to appoint the associate justices. Other controversies developed concerning the creation and jurisdiction of the courts and the tenure of judges. As for the latter, the Assembly's position was that judge appointments should be for good behavior as against the royal governor's decision for life appointment. State historians have noted that "the Assembly won its fight to establish courts and the judicial structure in the province was grounded on laws enacted by the legislature," which was more familiar with local conditions and needs (Lefler and Newsome, 142). Nevertheless, North Carolina alternated between periods under legislatively enacted reforms (like good behavior tenure and the Court Bill of 1746, which contained the seeds of the post-Revolutionary court system) and periods of stalemate and anarchy after such enactments were nullified by royal authority. A more elaborate system was framed by legislation in 1767 to last five years. It was not renewed because of persisting disagreement between local and royal partisans. As a result, North Carolina was without higher courts until after Independence (Battle, 847).

At the lower court level during the colonial period, judicial and county government administrative functions were combined in the authority of the justices of the peace, who were appointed by the royal governor.

After the Revolution

When North Carolina became a state in 1776, the colonial structure of the court system was retained largely intact. The Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — the county court which continued in use from about 1670 to 1868 — were still held by the assembled justices of the peace in each county. The Justices were appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the General Assembly, and they were paid out of fees charged litigants. On the lowest level of the judicial system, magistrate courts of limited jurisdiction were held by justices of the peace, singly or in pairs, while the county court was out of term.

The new Constitution of 1776 empowered the General Assembly to appoint judges of the Supreme Court of Law and Equity. A court law enacted a year later authorized three superior court judges and created judicial districts. Sessions were supposed to be held in the court towns of each district twice a year, under a system much like the one that had expired in 1772. Just as there had been little distinction in terminology between General Court and Supreme Court prior to the Revolution, the terms Supreme Court and Superior Court were also interchangeable during the period immediately following the Revolution.

One of the most vexing governmental problems confronting the new State of North Carolina was its judiciary. "From its inception in 1777 the state's judiciary caused complaint and demands for reform." (Lefler and Newsome, 291, 292.) Infrequency of sessions, conflicting judge opinions, an insufficient number of judges, and lack of means for appeal were all cited as problems, although the greatest weakness was considered to be the lack of a real Supreme Court.

In 1779, the legislature required the Superior Court judges to meet together in Raleigh as a Court of Conference to resolve cases which were disagreed on in the districts. This court was continued and made permanent by subsequent laws. The justices were required to put their opinions in writing to be delivered orally in court. The Court of Conference was changed in name to the Supreme Court in 1805 and authorized to hear appeals in 1810. Because of the influence of the English legal system, however, there was still no conception of an alternative to judges sitting together to hear appeals from cases which they had themselves heard in the districts in panels of as few as two judges (Battle, 848). In 1818, though, an independent three-judge Supreme Court was created for review of cases decided at the Superior Court level.

Meanwhile, semi-annual superior court sessions in each county were made mandatory in 1806, and the State was divided into six circuits, or ridings, where the six judges were to sit in rotation, two judges constituting a quorum as before.

The County Court of justices of the peace continued during this period as the lowest court and as the agency of local government.

After the Civil War

Major changes to modernize the judiciary and make it more democratic were made in 1868. A primary holdover from the English legal arrangement — the distinction between law and equity proceedings — was abolished. The County Court's control of local government was abolished. Capital offenses were limited to murder, arson, burglary and rape, and the Constitution stated that the aim of punishment was "not only to satisfy justice, but also to reform the offender, and thus prevent crime." The membership of the Supreme Court was raised to five, and the selection of the justices (including the designation of the chief justice) and superior court judges (raised in number to 12) was taken from the legislature and given to the voters, although vacancies were to be filled by the governor until the next election. The Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — The County Court of which three justices of the peace constituted a quorum — was eliminated. Its judicial responsibilities were divided beween the Superior Courts and the individual justices of the peace, who were retained as separate judicial officers with limited jurisdiction.

Conservatively oriented amendments to the 1868 Constitution in 1875 reduced the number of Supreme Court justices to three and the Superior Court judges to nine. The General Assembly was given the power to appoint justices of the peace, instead of the governor. Most of the modernizing changes in the post-Civil War Constitution, however, were left, and the judicial structure it had established continued without systematic modification through more than half of the 20th century. (A further constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November, 1888, returned the Supreme Court membership to five, and the number of superior court judges to twelve.)

Before Reorganization

A multitude of legislative enactments to meet rising demands and to respond to changing needs had heavily encumbered the 1868 judicial structure by the time systematic court reforms were proposed in the 1950's. This accrual of piecemeal change and addition to the court system was more evident at the lower, local court level, where hundreds of courts specially created by statute operated with widely dissimilar structure and jurisdiction.

By 1965, when the implementation of the most recent major reforms was begun, the court system in North Carolina consisted of four levels: (a) the Supreme Court, with appellate jurisdiction; (b) the superior court, with general trial jurisdiction; (c) the local statutory courts of limited jurisdiction, and (d) justices of the peace and mayor's courts, with petty jurisdiction.

At the superior court level, the State had been divided into 30 judicial districts and 21 solicitorial districts. The 38 superior court judges (who rotated among the counties) and the district solicitors were paid by the State. The clerk of superior court, who was judge of probate and often also a juvenile judge, was a county official. There were specialized branches of superior court in some counties for matters like domestic relations and juvenile offenses.

The lower two levels were local courts. At the higher of these local court levels were more than 180 recorder-type courts. Among these were the county recorder's courts, municipal recorder's courts and township recorder's courts; the general county courts, county criminal courts and special county courts; the domestic relations courts and the juvenile courts. Some of these had been established individually by special legislative acts more than a half-century earlier. Others had been created by general law across the State since 1919. About half were county courts and half were city or township courts. Jurisdiction included misdemeanors (mostly traffic offenses), preliminary hearings and sometimes civil matters. The judges, who were usually part-time, were variously elected or appointed locally.

At the lowest level were about 90 mayor's courts and some 925 justices of the peace. These officers had similar criminal jurisdiction over minor cases with penalties up to a $50 fine or 30 days in jail. The justices of the peace also had civil jurisdiction of minor cases. These court officials were compensated by the fees they exacted, and they provided their own facilities.

Court Reorganization

The need for a comprehensive evaluation and revision of the court system received the attention and support of Governor Luther H. Hodges in 1957, who encouraged the leadership of the North Carolina Bar Association to pursue the matter. A Court Study Committee was established as an agency of the North Carolina Bar Association, and that Committee issued its report, calling for reorganization, at the end of 1958. A legislative Constitutional Commission, which worked with the Court Study Committee, finished its report early the next year. Both groups called for the structuring of an all-inclusive court system which would be directly state-operated, uniform in its organization throughout the State and centralized in its administration. The plan was for a simplified, streamlined and unified structure. A particularly important part of the proposal was the elimination of the local statutory courts and their replacement by a single District Court; the office of justice of the peace was to be abolished, and the newly fashioned position of magistrate would function within the District Court as a subordinate judicial office.

Constitutional amendments were introduced in the legislature in 1959 but these failed to gain the required three-fifths vote of each house. The proposals were reintroduced and approved at the 1961 session. The Constitutional amendments were approved by popular vote in 1962, and three years later the General Assembly enacted statutes to put the system into effect by stages. By the end of 1970 all of the counties and their courts had been incorporated into the new system, whose unitary nature was symbolized by the name, General Court of Justice. The designation of the entire 20th century judicial system as a single, statewide "court," with components for various types and levels of caseload, was adapted from North Carolina's earlier General Court, whose full venue extended to all of the 17th century counties.

After Reorganization

Notwithstanding the comprehensive reorganization adopted in 1962, the impetus for changes has continued. In 1965, the Constitution was amended to provide for the creation of an intermediate Court of Appeals. It was amended again in 1972 to allow for the Supreme Court to censure or remove judges upon the recommendation of a Judicial Standards Commission. As for the selection of judges, persistent efforts were made in the 1970's to obtain legislative approval of amendments to the State Constitution, to appoint judges according to "merit" instead of electing them by popular, partisan vote. The proposed amendments received the backing of a majority of the members of each house, but not the three-fifths required to submit constitutional amendments to a vote of the people. It seems likely that this significant issue will be before the General Assembly again for consideration.

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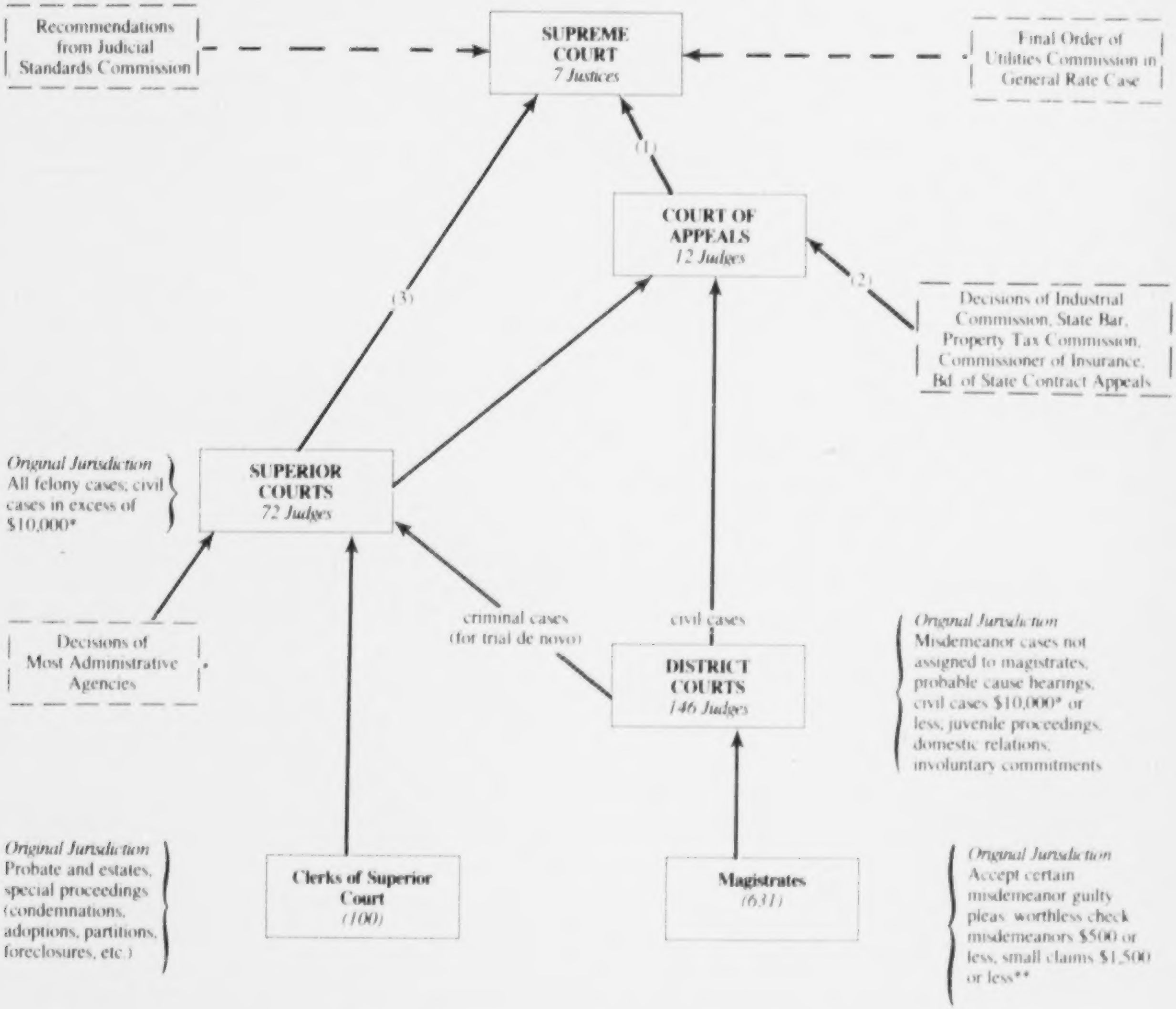
THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Original Jurisdiction and Routes of Appeal


Recommendations from Judicial Standards Commission
SUPREME COURT
7 Justices
Final Order of Utilities Commission in General Rate Case
(1)
COURT OF APPEALS
12 Judges
(2)
Decisions of Industrial Commission, State Bar, Property Tax Commission, Commissioner of Insurance, Bd. of State Contract Appeals
(3)
Original Jurisdiction
All felony cases; civil cases in excess of $10,000*
SUPERIOR COURTS
72 Judges
Decisions of Most Administrative Agencies
criminal cases (for trial de novo)
civil cases
DISTRICT COURTS
146 Judges
Original Jurisdiction
Misdemeanor cases not assigned to magistrates, probable cause hearings, civil cases $10,000* or less, juvenile proceedings, domestic relations, involuntary commitments
Original Jurisdiction
Probate and estates, special proceedings (condemnations, adoptions, partitions, foreclosures, etc.)
Clerks of Superior Court
(100)
Magistrates
(631)
Original Jurisdiction
Accept certain misdemeanor guilty pleas, worthless check misdemeanors $500 or less, small claims $1,500 or less**

(1) Appeals from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court are by right in Utilities Commission general rate cases, cases involving constitutional questions, and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may review Court of Appeals decisions in cases of significant public interest or cases involving legal principles of major significance.

(2) Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the Court of Appeals.

(3) As a matter of right, appeals go directly to the Supreme Court in criminal cases in which the defendent has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment, and in civil cases involving the involuntary annexation of territory by a municipality of 5,000 or more population. In all other cases appeal as of right is to the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may hear appeals directly from the trial courts in cases where delay would cause substantial harm or the Court of Appeals docket is unusually full.

*The district and superior courts have concurrent original jurisdiction in civil actions (G.S. 7A-242). However, the district court division is the *proper* division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less; and the superior court division is the proper division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000 (G.S. 7A-243).

**Magistrate jurisdiction in small claims cases increased from $1,000 to $1,500 effective October 1, 1985.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Article IV of the North Carolina Constitution establishes the General Court of Justice which "shall constitute a unified judicial system for purposes of jurisdiction, operation, and administration, and shall consist of an Appellate Division, a Superior Court Division, and a District Court Division."

The Appellate Division is comprised of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

The Superior Court Division is comprised of the superior courts which hold sessions in the county seats of the 100 counties of the State. The counties are grouped into judicial districts (34 at the present time), and one or more superior court judges are elected for each of the judicial districts. A clerk of the superior court for each county is elected by the voters of the county.

The District Court Division is comprised of the district courts. The General Assembly is authorized to divide the State into a convenient number of local court districts and prescribe where the district courts shall sit, but district court must sit in at least one place in each county. The General Assembly has provided that districts for purposes of the district court are co-terminous with superior court judicial districts. The Constitution also provides for one or more magistrates to be appointed in each county "who shall be officers of the district court."

The State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 1) also contains the term, "judicial department," stating that "The General Assembly shall have no power to deprive the judicial department of any power or jurisdiction that rightfully pertains to it as a co-ordinate department of the government, nor shall it establish or authorize any courts other than as permitted by this Article." The terms, "General Court of Justice" and "Judicial Department" are almost, but not quite, synonymous. It may be said that the Judicial Department encompasses all of the levels of court designated as the General Court of Justice plus all administrative and ancillary services within the Judicial Department.

The original jurisdictions and routes of appeal between the several levels of court in North Carolina's system of courts are illustrated in the chart on the opposite page.

Criminal Cases

Trial of misdemeanor cases is within the original jurisdiction of the district courts. Some misdemeanor offenses are tried by magistrates, who are also empowered to accept pleas of guilty to certain offenses and impose fines in accordance with a schedule set by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges. Most trials of misdemeanors are by district court judges, who also hold preliminary, "probable cause" hearings in felony cases. Trial of felony cases is within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.

Decisions of magistrates may be appealed to the district court judge. In criminal cases there is no trial by jury available at the district court level; appeal from the district courts' judgments in criminal cases is to the superior courts for trial *de novo* before a jury. Except in life imprisonment or death sentence cases (which are appealed to the Supreme Court), appeal from the superior courts is to the Court of Appeals.

Civil Cases

The 100 clerks of superior court are *ex officio* judges of probate and have original jurisdiction in probate and estates matters. The clerks also have jurisdiction over such special proceedings as adoptions, partitions, condemnations under the authority of eminent domain, and foreclosures. Rulings of the clerk may be appealed to the superior court.

The district courts have original jurisdiction in juvenile proceedings, domestic relations cases, petitions for involuntary commitment to a mental hospital, and are the "proper" courts for general civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. If the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less and the plaintiff in the case so requests, the chief district court judge may assign the case for initial hearing by a magistrate. Magistrates' decisions may be appealed to the district court. Trial by jury for civil cases is available in the district courts; appeal from the judgment of a district court in a civil case is to the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

The superior courts are the proper courts for trial of general civil cases where the amount in controversy is more than $10,000. Appeals from decisions of most administrative agencies are first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts. Appeal from the superior courts in civil cases is to the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The North Carolina Supreme Court has the "general power to supervise and control the proceedings of any of the other courts of the General Court of Justice." (G.S. 7A-32(b)).

In addition to this grant of general supervisory power, the North Carolina General Statutes provide certain Judicial Department officials with specific powers and responsibilities for the operation of the court system. The Supreme Court has the responsibility for prescribing rules of practice and procedures for the appellate courts and for prescribing rules for the trial courts to supplement those prescribed by statute. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court designates one of the judges of the Court of Appeals to be its Chief Judge, who in turn is responsible for scheduling the sessions of the Court of Appeals.

The chart on page 10 illustrates specific responsibilities for administration of the trial courts vested in Judicial Department officials by statute. The Chief Justice appoints the Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts; this Assistant Director also serves as the Chief Justice's administrative assistant. The schedule of sessions of superior court in the 100 counties is set by the Supreme Court; assignment of the State's rotating superior court judges is the responsibility of the Chief

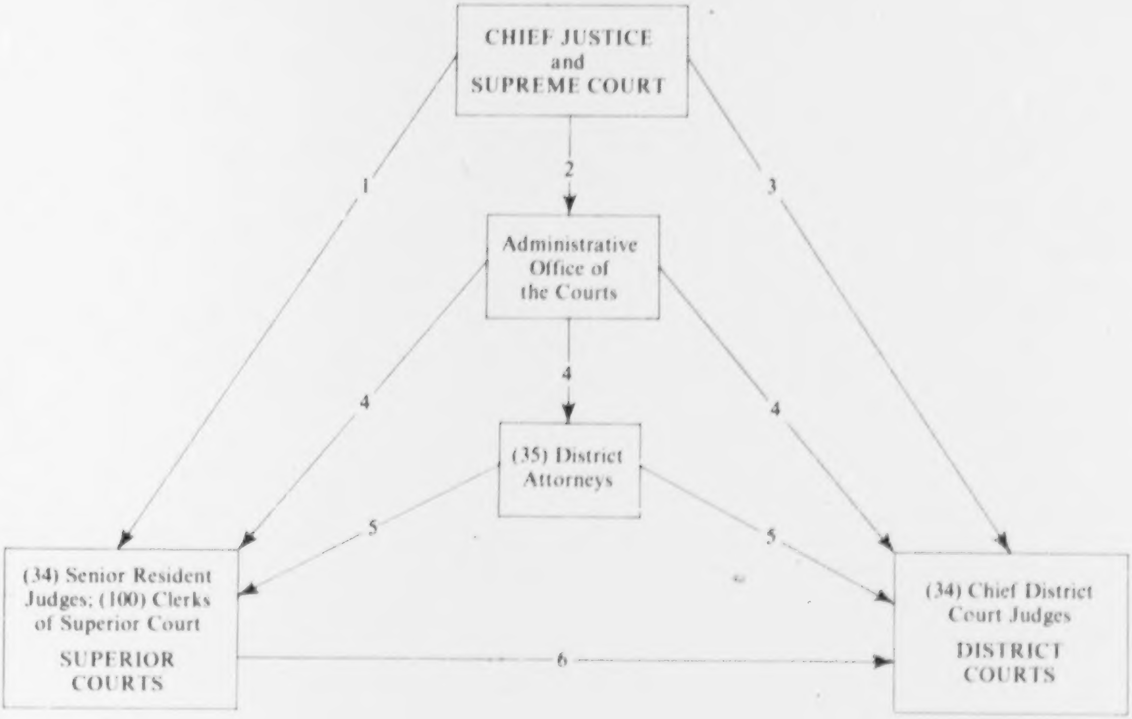
Justice. Finally, the Chief Justice designates a chief district court judge for each of the State's 34 judicial districts from among the elected district court judges of the respective districts. These judges have responsibilities for the scheduling of the district courts and magistrates' courts within their respective districts, along with other administrative responsibilities.

The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for direction of non-judicial, administrative and business affairs of the Judicial Department. Included among its functions are fiscal management, personnel services, information and statistical services, supervision of record keeping in the trial court clerks' offices, liaison with the legislative and executive departments of government, court facility evaluation, purchase and contract, education and training, coordination of the program for provision of legal counsel to indigent persons, juvenile probation and after-care, trial court administrator services, planning, and general administrative services.

The clerk of superior court in each county acts as clerk for both the superior and district courts. Until 1980, the clerk also served as chairman of the county's calendar committee, which set the civil case calendars. Effective July 1, 1980, these committees were eliminated; day-to-day calendaring of civil cases is now done by the clerk of superior court or by a "trial court administrator" in some districts, under the supervision of the senior resident superior court judge and chief district court judge. The criminal case calendars in both superior and district courts are set by the district attorney of the respective district.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Principal Administrative Authorities for North Carolina Trial Courts


CHIEF JUSTICE and SUPREME COURT
Administrative Office of the Courts
(35) District Attorneys
(34) Senior Resident Judges; (100) Clerks of Superior Court
SUPERIOR COURTS
(34) Chief District Court Judges
DISTRICT COURTS
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[1] The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the superior courts (as well as other trial courts). The schedule of superior courts is approved by the Supreme Court; assignments of superior court judges, who rotate from district to district, are the responsibility of the Chief Justice.

[2] The Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

[3] The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the district courts (as well as other trial courts). The Chief Justice appoints a chief district court judge in each of the 34 judicial districts from the judges elected in the respective districts.

[4] The Administrative Office of the Courts is empowered to prescribe a variety of rules governing the operation of the offices of the 100 clerks of superior court, and to obtain statistical data and other information from officials in the Judicial Department.

[5] The district attorney sets the criminal-case trial calendars. In each district, the senior resident superior court judge and the chief district court judge are empowered to supervise the calendaring procedures for civil cases in their respective courts.

[6] In addition to certain judicial functions, the clerk of superior court performs administrative, fiscal and record-keeping functions for both the superior court and district court of his county. Magistrates, who serve under the supervision of the chief district court judge, are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominees submitted by the clerk of superior court.

THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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Clerk
J. Gregory Wallace

Librarian
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*As of 30 June 1986.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Supreme Court

At the apex of the North Carolina court system is the seven-member Supreme Court, which sits in Raleigh to consider and decide questions of law presented in civil and criminal cases on appeal. The Chief Justice and six associate justices are elected to eight-year terms by the voters of the State. There are two terms of the Supreme Court each year: a Spring Term commencing on the first Tuesday in February and a Fall Term commencing on the first Tuesday in September. The Court does not sit in panels. It sits only *en banc*, that is, all members sitting on each case.

Jurisdiction

The only original case jurisdiction exercised by the Supreme Court is in the censure and removal of judges upon the (non-binding) recommendations of the Judicial Standards Commission. The Court's appellate jurisdiction includes:

- cases on appeal by right from the Court of Appeals (cases involving substantial constitutional questions and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals);
- cases on appeal by right from the Utilities Commission (cases involving final order or decision in a general rate matter);
- criminal cases on appeal by right from the superior courts (cases in which the defendant has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment), and
- cases in which review has been granted in the Supreme Court's discretion.

Discretionary review by the Supreme Court directly from the trial courts may be granted when delay would likely cause substantial harm or when the workload of the Appellate Division is such that the expeditious administration of justice requires it. However, most appeals are heard only after review by the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The Supreme Court has general power to supervise and control the proceedings of the other courts of the General Court of Justice. The Court has specific power to prescribe the rules of practice and procedure for the trial court divisions, consistent with any rules enacted by the General Assembly. The schedule of superior court sessions in the 100 counties is approved yearly, by the Supreme Court. The Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library, and the Appellate Division Reporter are appointed by the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court appoints the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and an Assistant Director, who serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice. He also designates a Chief Judge from among the judges of the Court of Appeals and a Chief District Court Judge from among the district judges in each of the State's 34 judicial districts. He assigns superior court judges, who regularly rotate from district to district, to the scheduled sessions of superior court in the 100 counties, and he is also empowered to transfer district court judges to other districts for temporary or specialized duty. The Chief Justice appoints three of the seven members of the Judicial Standards Commission — a judge of the Court of Appeals who serves as the Commission's chairman, one superior court judge and one district court judge. The Chief Justice appoints six of the 24 voting members of the N.C. Courts Commission: one associate justice of the Supreme Court; one Court of Appeals judge; two superior court judges; and two district court judges. The Chief Justice also appoints the Appellate Defender, and the Chief Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Expenses of the Court, 1985-86

Operating expenses of the Supreme Court during the 1985-86 fiscal year amounted to $2,063,229, an increase of 11.8% over total 1984-85 expenditures of $1,845,637. Expenditures for the Supreme Court during 1985-86 constituted 1.5% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year.

Case Data, 1985-86

A total of 378 appealed cases were before the Supreme Court during the fiscal year, 169 that were pending on July 1, 1985 plus 209 cases filed through June 30, 1986. A total of 221 of these cases were disposed of, leaving 157 cases pending on June 30, 1986.

A total of 873 petitions (requests to appeal) were before the Court during the 1985-86 year, with 746 disposed during the year and 127 pending as of June 30, 1986. The Court granted more petitions for review (129) during 1985-86 than in any prior year.

More detailed data on the Court's workload is presented on the following pages.

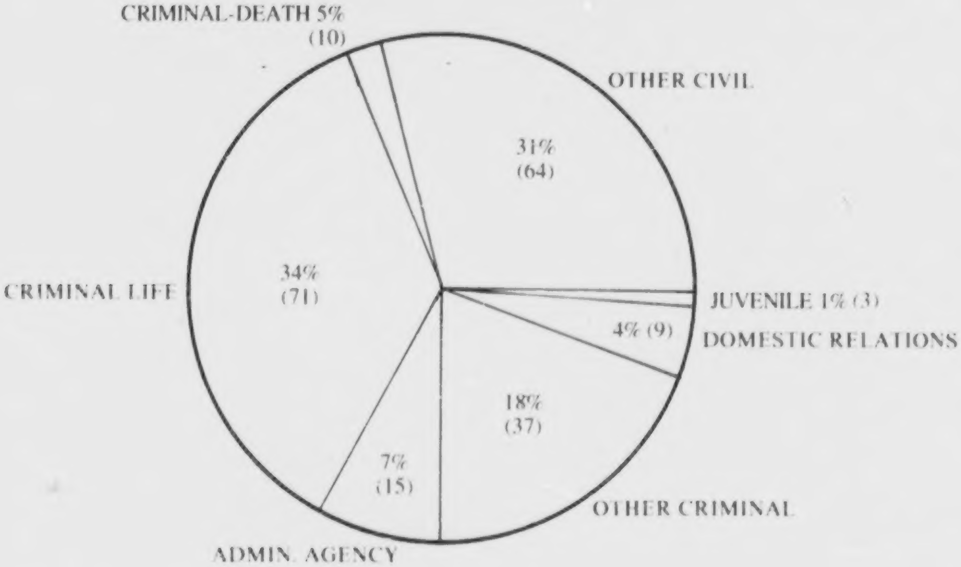
ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

Supreme Court Caseload Inventory

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

	Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Disposed	Pending 6/30/86
Petitions for Review				
Civil domestic	7	32	36	3
Juvenile	4	8	10	2
Other civil	62	284	283	63
Criminal	48	285	294	39
Postconviction remedy	12	77	75	14
Administrative agency decision	7	47	48	6
Total Petitions for Review	**140**	**733**	**746**	**127**
Appeals				
Civil domestic	2	4	2	4
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	2	5	4	3
Juvenile	0	1	1	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	1	2	2	1
Other civil	17	34	32	19
Petitions for review granted that become other civil appeals	24	30	39	15
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	7	10	3	14
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	73	71	79	65
Other criminal	17	24	27	14
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	8	13	13	8
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	1	0	1	0
Administrative agency decision	12	10	13	9
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	5	5	5	5
Total Appeals	**169**	**209**	**221**	**157**
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) additional issues re dissent	0	13	13	0
Extraordinary writs	0	95	88	7
Advisory opinion	0	2	2	0
Rule amendments	0	5	5	0
Motions	0	785	785	0
Total Other Proceedings	**0**	**900**	**893**	**7**

APPEALS FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1985-JUNE 30, 1986



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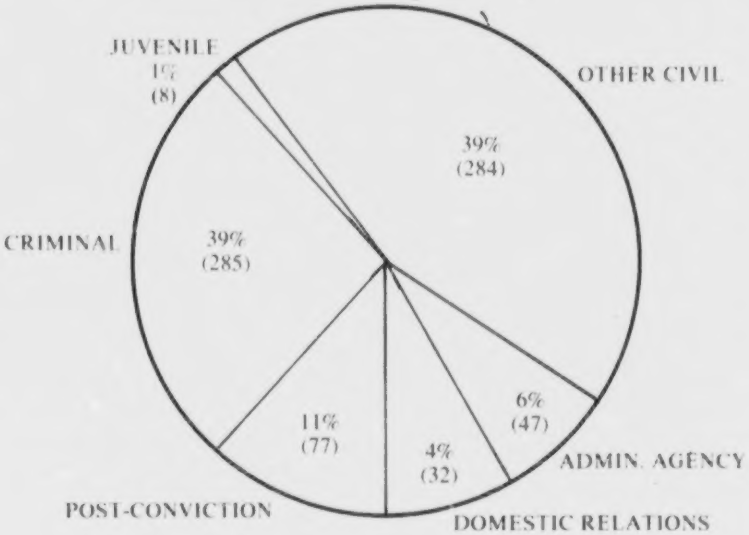


Supreme Court Caseload Types by Judicial District and Division
July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Total Cases	Death Cases	Life Cases	Other Criminal	Civil Cases	Other Cases	Cases Disposed
I	1	9	0	5	0	4	0	5
	2	5	1	1	2	1	0	4
	3A	8	1	4	1	2	0	5
	3B	7	0	3	1	1	2	3
	4	8	3	3	1	0	1	4
	5	5	1	0	2	2	0	3
	6	6	3	2	1	0	0	0
	7	12	1	5	2	3	1	8
	8	10	1	4	5	0	0	4
SUBTOTAL		**70**	**11**	**27**	**15**	**13**	**4**	**36**
II	9	7	1	4	0	2	0	1
	10	60	1	13	3	13	30	36
	11	8	0	4	2	2	0	6
	12	17	0	9	5	3	0	9
	13	8	2	3	2	1	0	3
	14	16	1	6	2	3	4	9
	15A	9	1	3	3	1	1	6
	15B	17	0	7	2	7	1	11
	16	17	6	5	4	1	1	3
SUBTOTAL		**159**	**12**	**54**	**23**	**33**	**37**	**84**
III	17A	6	2	2	1	1	0	1
	17B	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
	18	25	1	12	3	8	1	15
	19A	8	1	6	0	1	0	3
	19B	3	1	1	1	0	0	1
	20	12	1	5	1	5	0	6
	21	22	1	10	2	7	2	12
	22	15	4	6	0	5	0	6
	23	8	0	4	1	2	1	5
SUBTOTAL		**100**	**11**	**46**	**10**	**29**	**4**	**49**
IV	24	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
	25	15	0	7	3	4	1	10
	26	21	0	5	1	12	3	11
	27A	14	1	8	2	2	1	6
	27B	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
	28	19	1	7	10	1	0	13
	29	13	2	9	1	1	0	5
	30	12	1	5	3	2	1	6
SUBTOTAL		**98**	**5**	**45**	**20**	**22**	**6**	**51**
TOTALS		**427**	**39**	**172**	**68**	**97**	**51**	**220**

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

Submission of Cases Reaching Decision Stage in Supreme Court
July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Cases Argued	
Civil	85
Criminal	115
Total cases argued	**200**
Submissions Without Argument	
By motion of the parties (Appellate Rule 30(d))	13
By order of the Court (Appellate Rule 30 (f))	0
Total submissions without argument	**13**
Total Cases Reaching Decision Stage	**213**

Disposition of Petitions and Other Proceedings by the Supreme Court
July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Petitions for Review	**Granted***	**Denied**	**Dismissed/ Withdrawn**	**Total Disposed**
Civil Domestic	4	32	0	36
Juvenile	2	8	0	10
Other Civil	49	231	3	283
Criminal	55	237	2	294
Postconviction Remedy	2	40	33	75
Administrative Agency Decision	17	31	0	48
Total Petitions for Review	**129**	**579**	**38**	**746**
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) — Additional Issues	5	8	0	13
Extraordinary Writs	27	60	1	88
Advisory Opinion				2
Rule Amendments				5
Motions				785
Total Other Proceedings				**893**

*"GRANTED" includes orders allowing relief without accepting the case as a full appeal.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals With Published Opinion

Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	6	0	0	0	0	6
Juvenile	0	0	0	2	0	2
Other civil	17	3	7	18	0	45
Criminal (death sentence)	3	0	0	0	0	3
Criminal (life sentence)	61	0	1	9	5	76
Other criminal	8	6	9	2	0	25
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	1	1
Administrative agency decision	9	2	0	2	0	13
Total	**104**	**11**	**17**	**33**	**6**	**171**

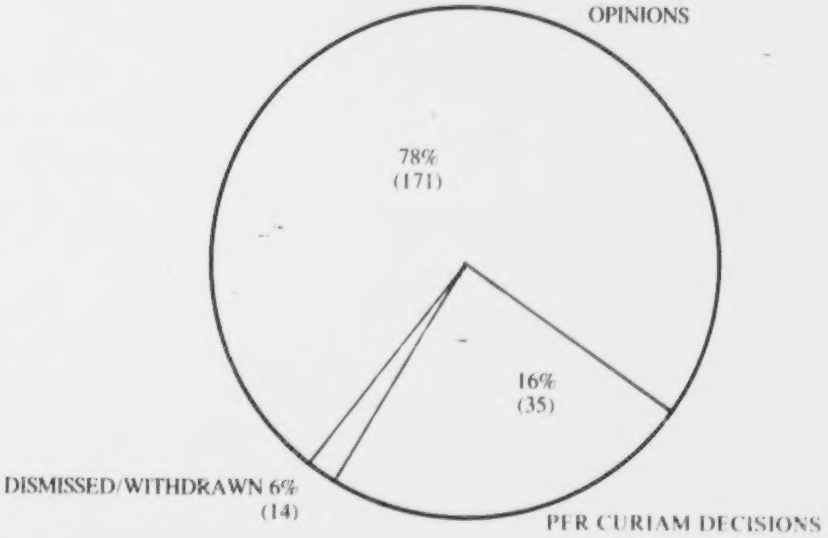
Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals with Per Curiam Decision

Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other civil	16	1	2	2	0	21
Criminal (death sentence)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal (life sentence)	1	0	1	0	0	2
Other criminal	8	0	1	0	0	9
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	1	0	0	1	0	2
Total	**27**	**1**	**4**	**3**	**0**	**35**

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals by Dismissal or Withdrawal

Case Types	Dismissed or Withdrawn
Civil domestic	0
Juvenile	0
Other civil	4
Criminal (death sentence)	0
Criminal (life sentence)	1
Other criminal	6
Post-conviction remedy	0
Administrative agency decision	3
Totals	**14**

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF APPEALS IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1985-JUNE 30, 1986



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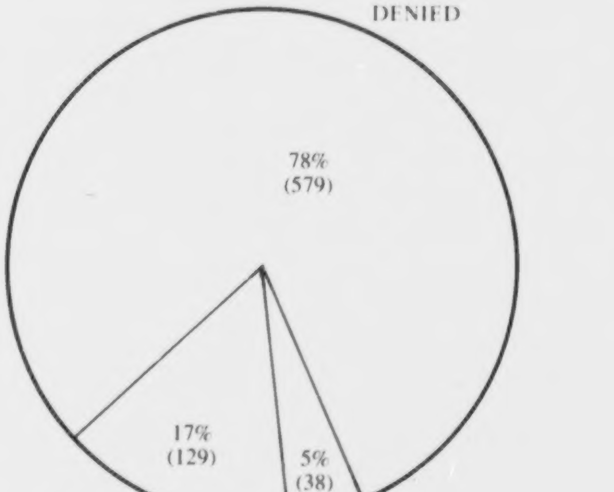


ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

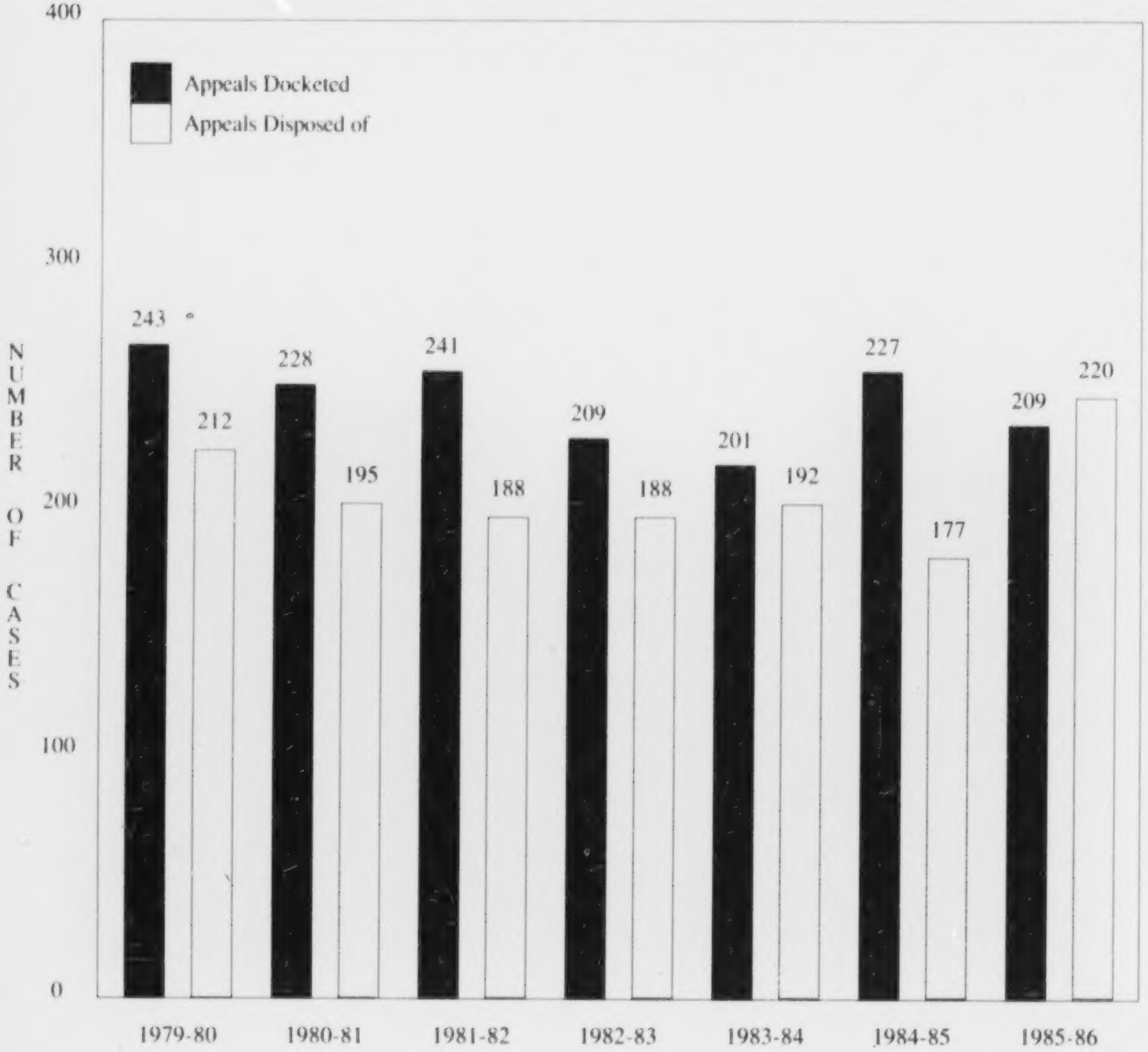
Number of Supreme Court Pending Cases By Status and Age as of June 30, 1986

	Not Ready for Oral Argument or Submission															
	Awaiting Record* (Pre-Docketing) (from cognizance)			Awaiting Appellant's Brief (from docketing)			Awaiting Appellee's Brief (from docketing)			Ready for Oral Argument (from docketing)			Pending Decision (Argued) (from date argued)			Total Pending Cases
Case Types	0-60 Days	61-150 Days	>150 Days	0-20 Days	21-40 Days	>40 Days	0-40 Days	41-60 Days	>60 Days	0-60 Days	61-90 Days	>90 Days	0-90 Days	91-150 Days	>150 Days	
Civil domestic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	1	**7**
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
Other civil	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	4	4	2	8	9	4	**34**
Criminal (death sentence)	2	3	17	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	4	**36**
Criminal (life sentence)	11	7	10	5	4	10	0	0	5	0	0	8	17	7	9	**93**
Other criminal	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	3	3	7	3	1	**22**
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Administrative agency decision	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	4	3	1	**14**
Total Appeals	**13**	**10**	**27**	**7**	**5**	**17**	**2**	**2**	**10**	**4**	**8**	**20**	**39**	**23**	**20**	**207**

* A status of Awaiting Record is applicable only in cases in which the defendant was sentenced to death or life imprisonment, or to direct appeals to the Supreme Court in Utilities Commission general rate cases.

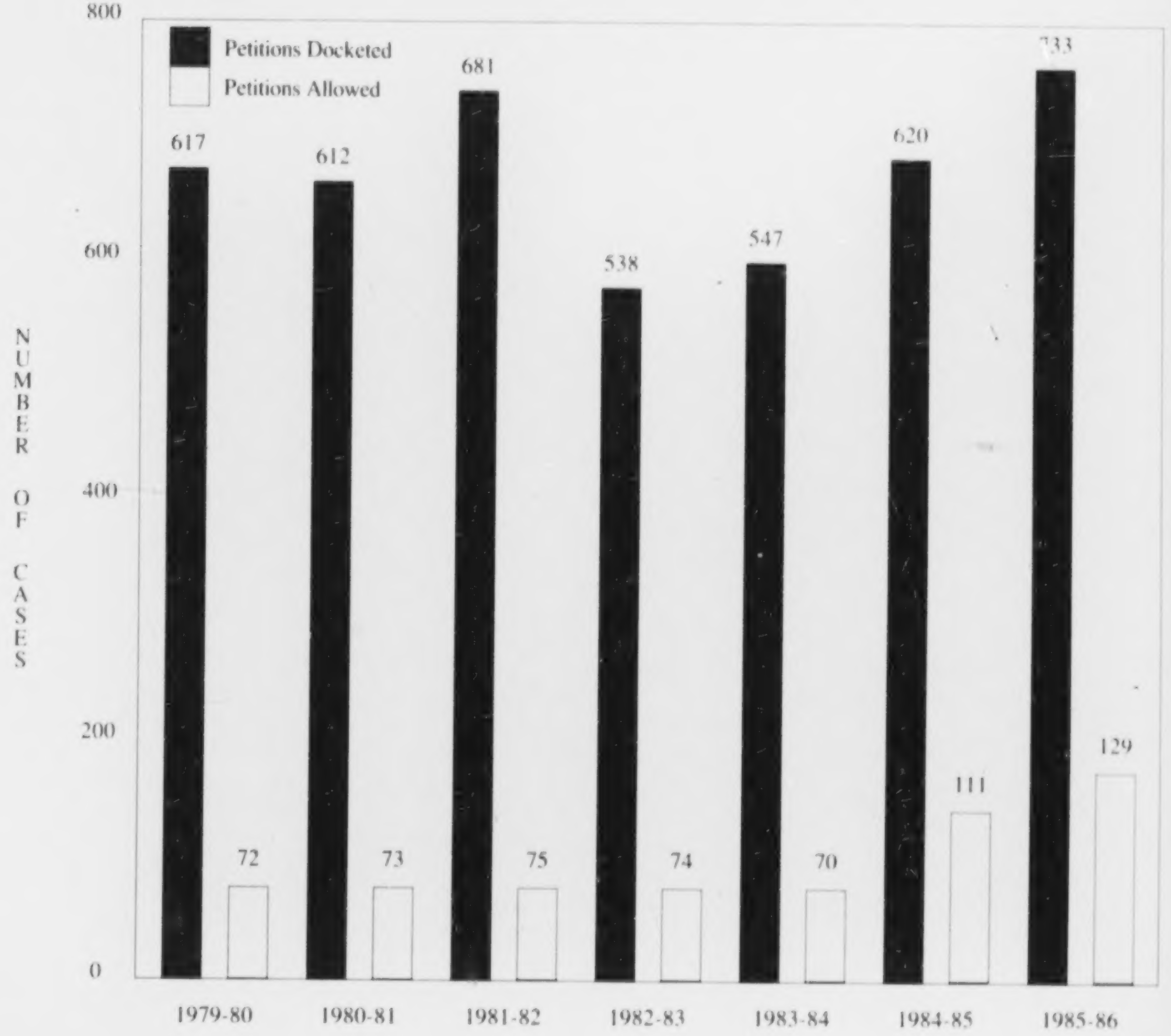
NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Appeals Docketed and Disposed of During the Years, 1979-80—1985-86



NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Petitions Docketed and Allowed During the Years, 1979-80—1985-86



Supreme Court Processing Time for Disposed Cases (Total time in days from docketing to decision) July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

	Number of Cases	(Days) Median	(Days) Mean
Civil domestic	2	—	303.0
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	4	—	165.5
Juvenile	1	152	152.0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	2	—	259.0
Other civil	32	182	223.2
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	38	232	263.5
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	3	602	534.3
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	79	298	325.7
Other criminal	27	213	204.0
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	13	185	248.6
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	1	399	399.0
Administrative agency decision	13	243	251.6
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	5	559	497.8
Total appeals	**220**	**225**	**277.5**

THE COURT OF APPEALS OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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R.A. HEDRICK

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CECIL J. HILL
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Clerk
FRANCIS E. DAIL

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*As of 30 June 1986

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Court of Appeals

The 12-judge Court of Appeals is North Carolina's intermediate appellate court; it hears a majority of the appeals originating from the State's trial courts. The Court regularly sits in Raleigh, and it may sit in other locations in the State as authorized by the Supreme Court. Sessions outside of Raleigh have not been regular or frequent. Judges of the Court of Appeals are elected by popular vote for eight-year terms. A Chief Judge for the Court is designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and serves in that capacity at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

Cases are heard by panels of three judges, with the Chief Judge responsible for assigning members of the Court to the four panels. Insofar as practicable, each judge is to be assigned to sit a substantially equal number of times with each other judge. The Chief Judge presides over the panel of which he or she is a member and designates a presiding judge for the other panels.

One member of the Court of Appeals, designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, serves as chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

Jurisdiction

The bulk of the caseload of the Court of Appeals consists of cases appealed from the trial courts. The Court also hears appeals directly from the Industrial Commission; certain final orders or decisions of the North Carolina State Bar; and the Commissioner of Insurance; the State Board of Contract Appeals; and appeals from certain final orders or decisions of the Property Tax Commission. (Appeals from the decisions of other administrative agencies lie first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.)

In the event of a recommendation from the Judicial Standards Commission to censure or remove from office a justice of the Supreme Court, the (non-binding) recommendation would be considered by the Chief Judge and the six judges next senior in service on the Court of Appeals (excluding the judge who serves as the Commission's chairman). Such seven-member panel would have sole jurisdiction to act upon the Commission's recommendation.

Expenses of the Court, 1985-86

Operating expenses of the Court of Appeals during the 1985-86 fiscal year totalled $2,763,224, an increase of 9.7% over 1984-85 expenditures of $2,518,083. Expenditures for the Court of Appeals during 1985-86 amounted to 2.0% of all General Fund expenditures for operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year. This percentage share of the total is the same as the Court of Appeals' percentage share of the Judicial Department total in the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Case Data, 1985-86

A total of 1,381 appealed cases were filed before the Court of Appeals during the period July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986. A total of 1,626 cases were disposed of during the same period. During 1985-86, a total of 546 petitions and 1,760 motions were filed before the Court of Appeals.

Further detail on the workload of the Court of Appeals is shown in the tables and graphs on the following pages.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Cases on Appeal	**Filings**	**Dispositions**
Civil cases appealed from district courts	264	
Civil cases appealed from superior courts	524	
Civil cases appealed from administrative agencies	77	
Criminal cases appealed from superior courts	516	
Total	**1,381**	**1,626**
Petitions		
Allowed		150
Denied		410
Remanded		0
Total	**546**	**560**
Motions		
Allowed		1,227
Denied		469
Remanded		2
Total	**1,760**	**1,698**
Total Cases on Appeal, Petitions and Motions	**3,687**	**3,884**

INVENTORY OF CASES APPEALED TO THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Filed			Other Appeals	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Disposed
		Appeals from District Courts	Appeals from Superior Court				
			Civil	Criminal			
I	1	7	9	16	0	32	38
	2	2	15	21	0	38	37
	3	7	21	15	0	43	41
	4	8	9	15	0	32	41
	5	7	15	18	0	40	48
	6	2	4	13	0	19	25
	7	4	10	9	0	23	35
	8	7	14	19	0	40	56
II	9	3	4	7	0	14	21
	10	19	72	25	77	193	241
	11	3	13	10	0	26	35
	12	9	9	27	0	45	70
	13	3	5	5	0	13	19
	14	10	21	23	0	54	59
	15A/B*	14	19	16	0	49	54
	16	4	6	25	0	35	30
III	17A/B*	6	15	19	0	40	25
	18	15	40	32	0	87	98
	19A/B*	16	14	18	0	48	45
	20	11	13	20	0	44	52
	21	24	34	11	0	69	78
	22	2	15	10	0	27	40
	23	9	10	10	0	29	48
IV	24	2	6	3	0	11	18
	25	11	11	20	0	42	56
	26	27	50	48	0	125	147
	27A/B*	13	13	29	0	55	51
	28	9	34	18	0	61	51
	29	6	14	8	0	28	41
	30	4	9	6	0	19	26
Totals		**264**	**524**	**516**	**77**	**1,381**	**1,626**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown.

Separate figures for these districts were not available.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CASES BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

		Cases Disposed by Written Option					
Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Affirmed	Cases Reversed	Cases Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	Total Cases by Written Opinion	Other Cases Disposed	Total Cases Disposed
I	1	19	10	3	32	6	38
	2	22	10	1	33	4	37
	3	31	4	4	39	2	41
	4	31	6	2	39	2	41
	5	34	9	2	45	3	48
	6	20	4	1	25	0	25
	7	22	8	2	32	3	35
	8	42	6	4	52	4	56
II	9	14	4	1	19	2	21
	10	144	63	13	220	21	241
	11	29	3	0	32	3	35
	12	45	21	1	67	3	70
	13	11	3	1	15	4	19
	14	40	12	1	53	6	59
	15A/B*	34	10	4	48	6	54
	16	20	7	1	28	2	30
III	17A/B*	19	4	2	15	0	25
	18	62	22	7	91	7	98
	19A/B*	28	10	2	40	5	45
	20	30	10	5	45	7	52
	21	39	19	11	69	9	78
	22	24	11	2	37	3	40
	23	39	7	0	46	2	48
IV	24	12	3	1	16	2	18
	25	36	12	5	53	3	56
	26	96	32	12	140	7	147
	27A/B*	32	6	8	46	5	51
	28	35	7	3	45	6	51
	29	25	10	1	36	5	41
	30	17	5	3	25	1	26
Totals		**1,052**	**338**	**103**	**1,493**	**133**	**1,626**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

INVENTORY OF MOTIONS AND PETITIONS BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

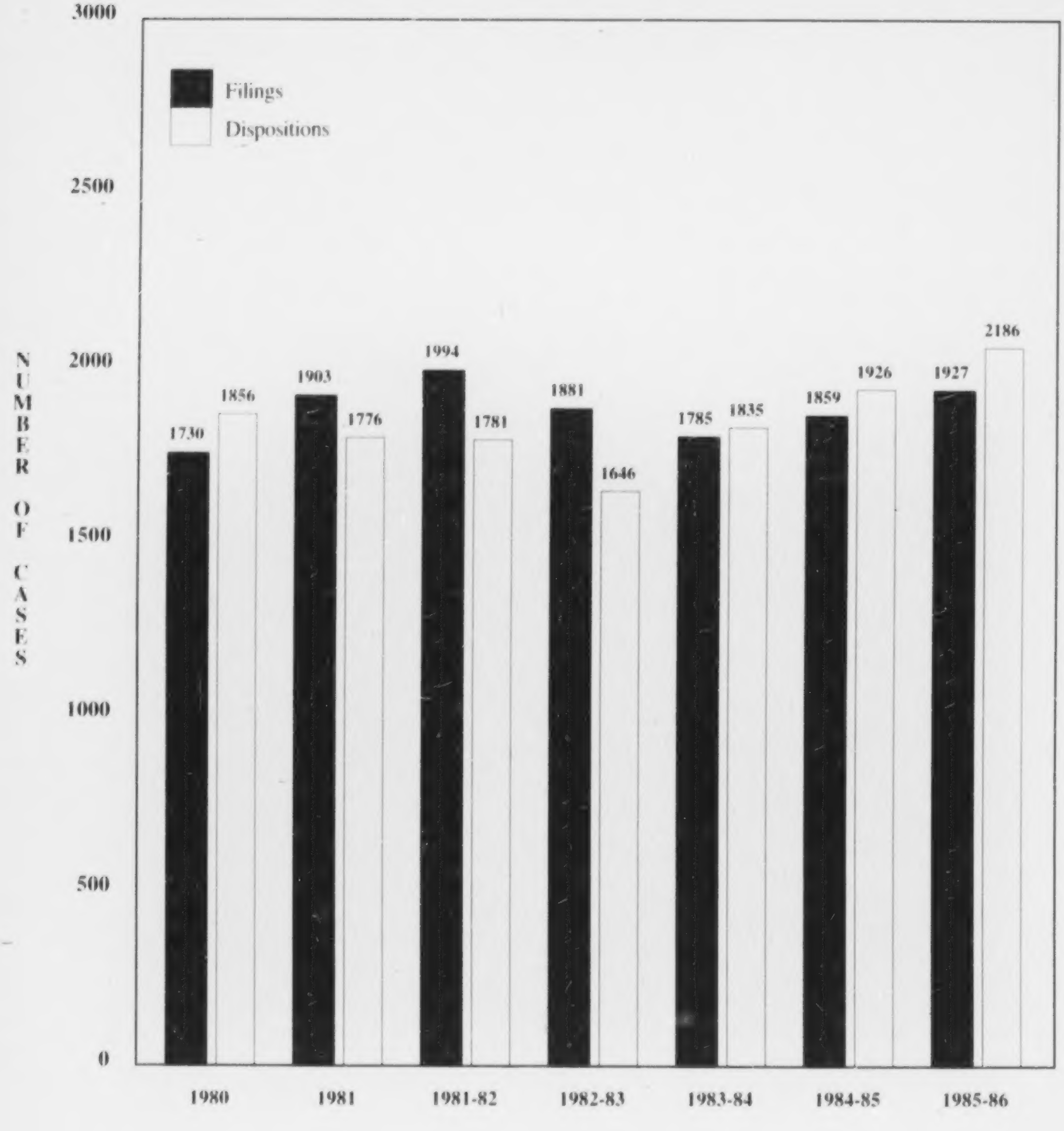
July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Motions Filed	Petitions Filed	Total Filed	Motions Disposed			Petitions Disposed			Total Disposed
					Allowed	Denied	Remanded	Allowed	Denied	Remanded	
I	1	37	4	41	29	8	0	2	2	0	79
	2	44	9	53	37	7	0	1	8	0	90
	3	93	19	112	67	23	0	4	13	0	148
	4	46	27	73	30	15	0	2	22	0	110
	5	73	23	96	40	29	0	8	16	0	141
	6	34	6	40	23	10	0	1	5	0	64
	7	30	14	44	21	8	0	11	10	0	85
	8	27	18	45	23	3	0	5	12	0	99
II	9	18	6	24	15	3	0	3	3	0	45
	10	254	72	326	188	58	0	17	48	0	552
	11	33	11	44	25	7	0	7	10	0	84
	12	64	13	77	48	14	0	4	8	0	144
	13	19	6	25	17	2	0	0	6	0	44
	14	110	33	143	70	37	0	32	20	0	220
	15A/B*	69	18	87	51	15	0	4	15	0	139
	16	33	8	41	26	9	0	2	6	0	73
III	17A/B*	28	11	39	19	9	0	5	7	0	65
	18	95	38	133	72	22	0	4	32	0	228
	19A/B*	63	26	89	36	23	0	0	24	0	128
	20	43	28	71	31	11	0	7	20	0	121
	21	71	20	91	45	9	0	0	18	0	150
	22	28	9	37	21	7	0	11	9	0	88
	23	37	20	57	29	8	0	4	6	0	95
IV	24	7	8	15	4	3	0	0	7	0	32
	25	35	15	50	21	14	0	1	14	0	106
	26	173	34	207	108	57	0	8	25	0	345
	27A/B*	34	17	51	27	9	0	2	15	0	104
	28	68	15	83	52	15	0	2	13	0	133
	29	53	14	67	27	22	0	3	11	0	104
	30	41	4	45	25	12	0	0	5	0	68
TOTALS		**1,760**	**546**	**2,306**	**1,227**	**469**	**0**	**150**	**410**	**0**	**3,169**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

FOR YEARS 1980 THROUGH 1985-86

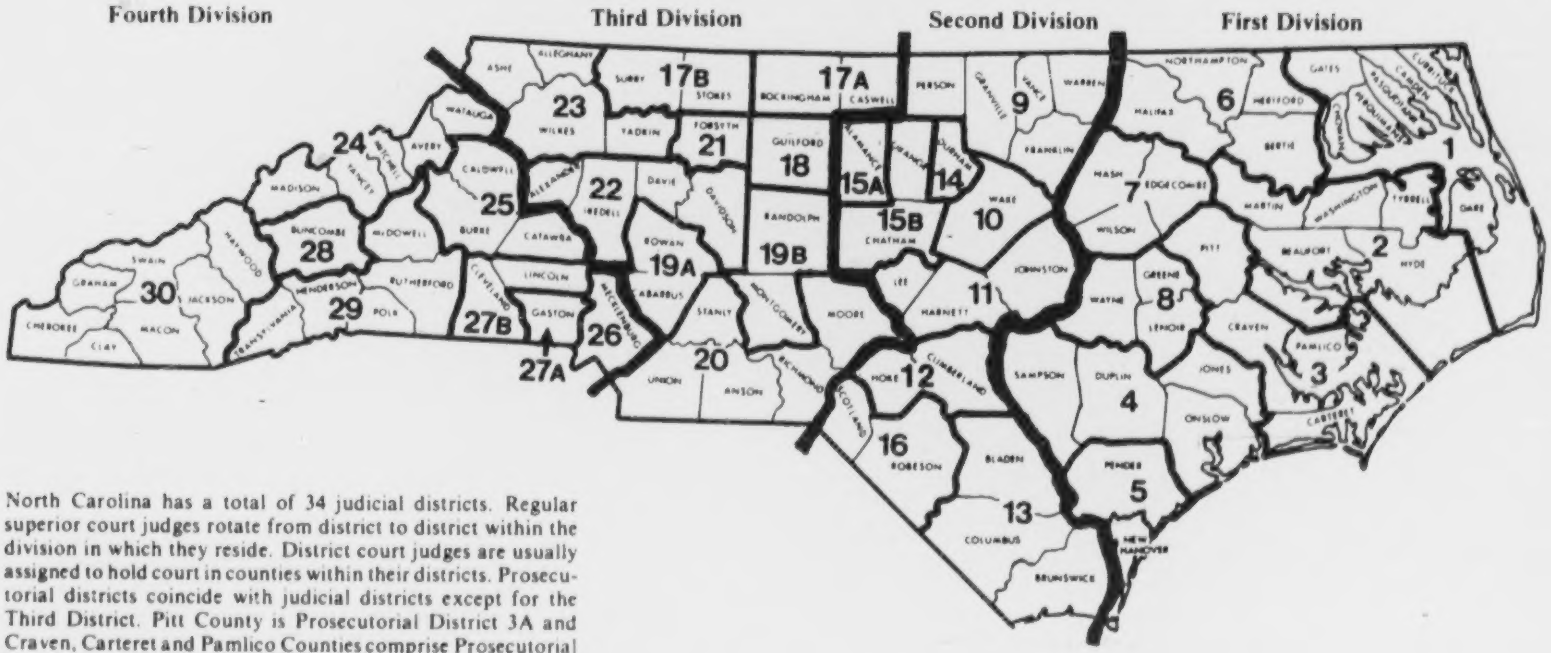


Filings and dispositions in this graph include appealed cases and petitions (not motions) in the Court of Appeals.

Dispositions have exceeded filings for the past three years.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

North Carolina Judicial Districts and Divisions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MADISON
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MITCHELL
McDOWELL
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WILKES
CALDWELL
BURKE
ALEXANDER
CATAWBA
CLEVELAND
LINCOLN
GASTON
MECKLENBURG
IREDELL
DAVIE
ROWAN
CABARRUS
SURRY
STOKES
YADKIN
FORSYTH
DAVIDSON
STANLY
UNION
ANSON
MONTGOMERY
RICHMOND
ROCKINGHAM
CASWELL
GUILFORD
RANDOLPH
ALAMANCE
ORANGE
DURHAM
CHATHAM
PERSON
GRANVILLE
VANCE
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NEW HANOVER
PENDER
SAMPSON
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WAYNE
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CRAVEN
PAMLICO
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HALIFAX
NORTHAMPTON
HERTFORD
BERTIE
MARTIN
GATES
CHOWAN
PERQUIMANS
PASQUOTANK
CAMDEN
CURRITUCK
WASHINGTON
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HYDE

North Carolina has a total of 34 judicial districts. Regular superior court judges rotate from district to district within the division in which they reside. District court judges are usually assigned to hold court in counties within their districts. Prosecutorial districts coincide with judicial districts except for the Third District. Pitt County is Prosecutorial District 3A and Craven, Carteret and Pamlico Counties comprise Prosecutorial District 3B. Hence, there are 35 prosecutorial districts but only 34 judicial districts.

JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT*

(As of June 30, 1986)

FIRST DIVISION

District	
1	J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City
	Thomas S. Watts, Elizabeth City
2	William C. Griffin, Jr., Williamston
3	David E. Reid, Jr., Greenville
	Herbert O. Phillips, III, Morehead City
4	Henry L. Stevens, III, Kenansville
	James R. Strickland, Jacksonville
5	Bradford Tillery, Wilmington
	Napoleon B. Barefoot, Wilmington
6	Richard B. Allsbrook, Roanoke Rapids
7	Franklin R. Brown, Tarboro
	Charles B. Winberry, Rocky Mount
8	James D. Llewellyn, Kinston
	Paul M. Wright, Goldsboro

SECOND DIVISION

District	
9	Robert H. Hobgood, Louisburg
	Henry H. Hight, Jr., Henderson
10	Edwin S. Preston, Jr., Raleigh
	Henry V. Barnett, Jr., Raleigh
	Robert L. Farmer, Raleigh
	Donald L. Smith, Raleigh
11	Wiley F. Bowen, Dunn
12	Darius B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville
	Coy E. Brewer, Jr., Fayetteville
	Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville
13	Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
14	Thomas H. Lee, Durham
	Anthony M. Brannon, Durham
	James M. Read, Durham
15A	D. Marsh McLelland, Burlington
15B	F. Gordon Battle, Hillsboro
16	B. Craig Ellis, Laurinburg

THIRD DIVISION

District	
17A	Melzer A. Morgan, Jr., Wentworth
17B	James M. Long, Pilot Mountain
18	W. Douglas Albright, Greensboro
	Edward K. Washington, High Point
	Thomas W. Ross, Greensboro
	Joseph John, Greensboro
19A	Thomas W. Seay, Jr., Spencer
	James C. Davis, Concord
19B	Russell G. Walker, Jr., Asheboro
20	F. Fetzer Mills, Wadesboro
	William H. Helms, Wingate
21	William Z. Wood, Winston-Salem
	Judson D. DeRamus, Jr., Winston-Salem
	William H. Freeman, Winston-Salem
22	Robert A. Collier, Jr., Statesville
	C. Preston Cornelius, Mooresville
23	Julius A. Rousseau, Jr., North Wilkesboro

FOURTH DIVISION

District	
24	Charles C. Lamm, Jr., Boone
25	Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
	Claude S. Sitton, Morganton
26	Frank W. Snepp, Jr., Charlotte
	Robert M. Burroughs, Charlotte
	Marvin K. Gray, Charlotte
	Kenneth A. Griffin, Charlotte
	Chase B. Saunders, Charlotte
27A	Robert W. Kirby, Cherryville
	Robert E. Gaines, Gastonia
27B	John R. Friday, Lincolnton
28	Robert D. Lewis, Asheville
	C. Walter Allen, Asheville
29	Hollis M. Owens, Jr., Rutherfordton
30	James U. Downs, Franklin
	Joseph A. Pachnowski, Bryson City

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*In districts with more than one resident judge, the senior resident judge is listed first.

SPECIAL JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

James A. Beaty, Jr., Winston-Salem
John B. Lewis, Jr., Farmville
Mary M. Pope, Southern Pines
Fred J. Williams, Durham
Donald W. Stephens, Raleigh
Janet M. Hyatt, Waynesville
Lamar Gudger, Asheville
I. Beverly Lake, Jr., Raleigh

EMERGENCY JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., Lumberton
Samuel E. Britt, Lumberton
Hal H. Walker, Asheboro
James H. Pou Bailey, Raleigh

The Conference of Superior Court Judges

(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

Bradford Tillery, Wilmington, *President*
Edwin S. Preston, Jr., Raleigh, *President-Elect*
J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City, *Vice President*
Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Robert E. Gaines, Gastonia, Julius A. Rousseau, North Wilkesboro, *Additional Executive Committee Members*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Superior Courts

North Carolina's superior courts are the general jurisdiction trial courts for the state. In 1985-86, there were 64 "resident" superior court judges elected to office in the 34 judicial districts for eight-year terms by Statewide ballot. In addition, eight "special" superior court judges are appointed by the Governor for four year terms.

Jurisdiction

The superior court has original jurisdiction in all felony cases and in those misdemeanor cases which originate by grand jury indictment. (Most misdemeanors are tried first in the district court, from which conviction may be appealed to the superior court for trial *de novo* by a jury. No trial by jury is available for criminal cases in district court.) The superior court is the proper court for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000, and it has jurisdiction over appeals from administrative agencies except the Industrial Commission, certain rulings of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Board of Bar Examiners of the North Carolina State Bar, the Board of State Contract Appeals, and the Property Tax Commission. Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Regardless of the amount in controversy, the original civil jurisdiction of the superior court does not include domestic relations cases, which are heard in the district courts, or probate and estates matters and certain special proceedings heard first by the clerk of superior court. Rulings of the clerk are within the appellate jurisdiction of the superior court.

Administration

The 100 counties of North Carolina were grouped into 34 judicial districts during 1985-86. Each district has at least one resident superior court judge who has certain administrative responsibilities for his home district, such as providing for civil case calendaring procedures. (Criminal case calendars are prepared by the district attorneys.) In districts with more than one resident superior court judge, the judge senior in service on the superior court bench exercises these supervisory powers.

The judicial districts are grouped into four divisions for the rotation of superior court judges, as shown on the map on Page **30**. Within the division, a resident superior court judge is required to rotate among the judicial districts, holding court for at least six months in each, then moving on to his next assignment. A special superior court judge may be assigned to hold court in any of the 100 counties. Assignments of all superior court judges are made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Under the Constitution of North Carolina, at least two sessions (a week each) of superior court are held annually in each of the 100 counties. The vast majority of counties have more than the constitutional minimum of two weeks of superior court annually. Many larger counties have superior court in session about every week in the year.

Expenditures

A total of $14,263,095 was expended on the operations of the superior courts during the 1985-86 fiscal year. This included the salaries and travel expenses for the 72 superior court judges, and salaries and expenses for court reporters and secretarial staff for superior court judges. The 1985-86 expenditures for the superior courts amounted to 10.5% of total General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department during the 1985-86 fiscal year.

Caseload

Including both civil and criminal cases, a total of 91,336 cases were filed in the superior courts during 1985-86, an increase of 5,767 cases (6.7%) from the total of 85,569 cases that were filed in 1984-85. There were increases in filings in all case categories: civil cases, felonies, and misdemeanor appeals.

Superior court case dispositions increased from 84,334 in 1984-85 to 88,089 in 1985-86. There were disposition increases in all case categories.

More detailed information on the flow of cases through the superior courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1986)

District	
1	John T. Chaffin, Elizabeth City
	Grafton G. Beaman, Elizabeth City
	John R. Parker, Manteo
2	Hallett S. Ward, Washington
	Samuel G. Grimes, Washington
	James W. Hardison, Williamston
3	E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville
	J. Randal Hunter, New Bern
	Willie L. Lumpkin, III, Morehead City
	James E. Martin, Bethel
	James E. Ragan, Oriental
	H. Horton Rountree, Greenville
4	Kenneth W. Turner, Rose Hill
	William M. Cameron, Jr., Jacksonville
	Wayne G. Kimble, Jr., Jacksonville
	James N. Martin, Clinton
	Stephen M. Williamson, Kenansville
5	Gilbert H. Burnett, Wilmington
	Jacqueline Morris-Goodson, Wilmington
	Charles E. Rice, III, Wilmington
	Elton Glenn Tucker, Wilmington
6	Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
	Harold P. McCoy, Scotland Neck
	Robert E. Williford, Lewiston
7	George Britt, Tarboro
	Allen W. Harrell, Wilson
	Quentin T. Sumner, Rocky Mount
	Albert S. Thomas, Jr., Wilson
8	J. Patrick Exum, Kinston
	Kenneth R. Ellis, Fremont
	Rodney R. Goodman, Kinston
	Arnold O. Jones, Goldsboro
	Joseph E. Setzer, Jr., Goldsboro
9	Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford
	Ben U. Allen, Jr., Henderson
	J. Larry Senter, Franklinton
	Charles W. Wilkinson, Oxford
10	George F. Bason, Raleigh
	Stafford G. Bullock, Raleigh
	Narley L. Cashwell, Apex
	William A. Creech, Raleigh
	George R. Greene, Raleigh
	Louis W. Payne, Jr., Raleigh
	Philip O. Redwine, Raleigh
	Russell G. Sherrill, III, Raleigh
11	Elton C. Pridgen, Smithfield
	William Christian, Sanford
	K. Edward Greene, Dunn
	Edward H. McCormick, Lillington
12	Sol. G. Cherry, Fayetteville
	Lacy S. Hair, Fayetteville
	Anna E. Keever, Fayetteville
	Warren L. Pate, Raeford
	Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Fayetteville
13	William C. Gore, Jr., Whiteville
	Lee Greer, Jr., Long Beach
	Dewey J. Hooks, Jr., Whiteville
	Jerry A. Jolly, Tabor City
14	David Q. LaBarre, Durham
	Richard Chaney, Durham
	Orlando F. Hudson, Jr., Durham
	Kenneth C. Titus, Durham
15A	J. B. Allen, Jr., Burlington
	W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham
	James K. Washburn, Burlington
15B	Stanley Peele, Chapel Hill
	Lowry M. Betts, Pittsboro
	Patricia S. Hunt, Chapel Hill
16	John S. Gardner, Lumberton
	Adelaide G. Behan, Lumberton
	Charles G. McLean, Lumberton
	Herbert L. Richardson, Lumberton
17A	Peter M. McHugh, Reidsville
	Robert R. Blackwell, Yanceyville
17B	Foy Clark, Mount Airy
	Jerry Cash Martin, Mount Airy
18	Thomas G. Foster, Jr., Greensboro
	Sherry F. Alloway, Greensboro
	Robert E. Bencini, Jr., High Point
	William L. Daisy, Greensboro
	Edmund Lowe, High Point
	J. Bruce Morton, Greensboro
	Paul T. Williams, Greensboro
19A	Frank M. Montgomery, Salisbury
	James H. Dooley, Jr., Salisbury
	Adam C. Grant, Jr., Concord
	Clarence E. Horton, Jr., Kannapolis
19B	L.T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro
	William M. Neely, Asheboro

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*The Chief District Court Judge for each district is listed first.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1986)

District	
20	Donald R. Huffman, Wadesboro Michael E. Beale, Southern Pines Ronald W. Burris, Albemarle Kenneth W. Honeycutt, Monroe W. Reece Saunders, Jr., Rockingham
21	Abner Alexander, Winston-Salem Lynn Burleson, Winston-Salem James A. Harrill, Jr., Winston-Salem Roland H. Hayes, Winston-Salem Robert Kason Keiger, Winston-Salem William B. Reingold, Winston-Salem
22	Lester P. Martin, Jr., Mocksville Samuel A. Cathey, Statesville George T. Fuller, Lexington Robert W. Johnson, Statesville
23	Samuel L. Osborne, Wilkesboro Max F. Ferree, Wilkesboro Edgar B. Gregory, Wilkesboro
24	Robert H. Lacey, Newland Charles P. Ginn, Boone R. Alexander Lyerly, Banner Elk
25	Livingston Vernon, Morganton Edward H. Blair, Jr., Lenoir Daniel R. Green, Jr., Hickory L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
26	James E. Lanning, Charlotte Marilyn R. Bissell, Charlotte L. Stanley Brown, Charlotte Daphene L. Cantrell, Charlotte Richard A. Elkins, Charlotte Resa L. Harris, Charlotte Robert P. Johnston, Charlotte William G. Jones, Charlotte Theodore P. Matus, II, Charlotte William H. Scarborough, Charlotte W. Terry Sherrill, Charlotte
27A	J. Ralph Phillips, Gastonia Berlin H. Carpenter, Jr., Gastonia Lawrence B. Langson, Gastonia
27B	George W. Hamrick, Shelby James T. Bowen, Lincolnton John M. Gardner, Shelby
28	Earl J. Fowler, Jr., Arden Gary S. Cash, Fletcher Robert L. Harrell, Asheville Peter L. Roda, Asheville
29	Robert T. Gash, Brevard Loto J. Greenlee, Marion Zoro J. Guice, Jr., Hendersonville Thomas N. Hix, Hendersonville
30	Robert Leatherwood, III, Bryson City Danny E. Davis, Waynesville John J. Snow, Jr., Murphy

The Association of District Court Judges

(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville, *President*

Earl J. Fowler, Arden, *Vice President*

Sol G. Cherry, Fayetteville, *Secretary-Treasurer*

J.B. Allen, Graham
George M. Britt, Tarboro
L. T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro
L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory
Additional Executive Committee Members

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ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The District Courts

North Carolina's district courts are trial courts with original jurisdiction of the overwhelming majority of the cases handled by the State's court system. There were 146 district court judges serving in 34 judicial districts during 1985-86. These judges are elected to four-year terms by the voters of their respective districts.

A total of 631 magistrate positions were authorized as of June 30, 1986. Of this number, about 100 positions were specified as part-time. Magistrates are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominations submitted by the clerk of the superior court of their county, and they are supervised by the chief district court judge of their district.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the district court extends to virtually all misdemeanor cases, probable cause hearings in most felony cases, all juvenile proceedings, involuntary commitments and recommitments to mental hospitals, and domestic relations cases. The district courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts in general civil cases, but the district courts are the proper courts for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. Upon the plaintiff's request, a civil case in which the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less, may be designated a "small claims" case and assigned by the chief district court judge to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates are empowered to try worthless check criminal cases when the value of the check does not exceed $500. In addition, they may accept written appearances, waivers of trial, and pleas of guilty in such worthless check cases when the amount of the check is $500 or less, the offender has made restitution, and the offender has fewer than four previous worthless check convictions. Magistrates may accept waivers of appearance and pleas of guilty in traffic and ABC cases, and in boating, hunting and fishing violation cases, for which a uniform schedule of fines has been adopted by the Conference of Chief District Judges. Magistrates also conduct initial hearings to fix conditions of release for arrested defendants, and they are empowered to issue arrest and search warrants.

Administration

A chief district judge is appointed for each judicial district by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from among the elected judges in the respective districts. Subject to the Chief Justice's general supervision, each chief judge exercises administrative supervision and authority over the operation of the district courts and magistrates in his district. Each chief judge is responsible for: scheduling sessions of district court and assigning judges; supervising the calendaring of non-criminal cases; assigning matters to magistrates; making arrangements for court reporting and jury trials in civil cases; and supervising the discharge of clerical functions in the district courts.

The chief district court judges meet in conference at least once a year upon the call of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Among other matters, this annual conference adopts a uniform schedule of traffic, ABC, boating, hunting, and fishing offenses and fines for their violation for use by magistrates and clerks of court in accepting defendents' waivers of appearance and guilty pleas.

The Conference of Chief District Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford, *President*

George M. Britt, Tarboro, *Vice President*

Robert H. Lacey, Newland, *Secretary*

Expenditures

Total expenditures for the operation of the district courts in 1985-86 amounted to $24,908,806. This is an increase of 11.7% over 1984-85 expenditures of $22,303,686. Included in this total are the personnel costs of court reporters and secretaries as well as the personnel costs of the 146 district court judges and approximately 631 magistrates. The 1985-86 total is 16.3% of the General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures that the district courts took for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Caseload

During 1985-86 the statewide total number of district court filings (civil and criminal) increased 127,702 (8.2%) over the total number reported for 1984-85. Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the filing total in 1985-86 was 1,682,321. Most of this increase was attributable to increases in the motor vehicle criminal case category, 67,174 cases (8.7%) more than the number of motor vehicle criminal cases in 1984-85; the civil magistrate case category, 21,973 cases (10.8%) more than the number of civil magistrate cases in 1984-85; and the general civil case category, 4,899 cases (11.4%) more than the number of general civil cases in 1984-85.

More detailed information on district court civil and criminal caseloads and on juvenile case activity is contained in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

(As of June 30, 1986)

District	
1	H. P. WILLIAMS, JR., Elizabeth City
2	MITCHELL D. NORTON, Washington
3A	THOMAS D. HAIGWOOD, Greenville
3B	WILLIAM D. McFADYEN, New Bern
4	WILLIAM H. ANDREWS, Jacksonville
5	JERRY L. SPIVEY, Wilmington
6	DAVID H. BEARD, JR., Murfreesboro
7	HOWARD S. BONEY, JR., Tarboro
8	DONALD JACOBS, Goldsboro
9	DAVID R. WATERS, Oxford
10	J. RANDOLPH RILEY, Raleigh
11	JOHN W. TWISDALE, Smithfield
12	EDWARD W. GRANNIS, JR., Fayetteville
13	MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Whiteville
14	RONALD L. STEPHENS, Durham
15A	GEORGE E. HUNT, Graham
15B	CARL R. FOX, Carrboro
16	JOE FREEMAN BRITT, Lumberton
17A	PHILIP W. ALLEN, Wentworth
17B	HAROLD D. BOWMAN, Dobson
18	D. LAMAR DOWDA, Greensboro
19A	JAMES E. ROBERTS, Kannapolis
19B	GARLAND N. YATES, Asheboro
20	CARROLL LOWDER, Monroe
21	DONALD K. TISDALE, Clemmons
22	H.W. ZIMMERMAN, JR., Lexington
23	MICHAEL A. ASHBURN, North Wilkesboro
24	JAMES THOMAS RUSHER, Marshall
25	ROBERT E. THOMAS, Newton
26	PETER S. GILCHRIST, Charlotte
27A	JOSEPH G. BROWN, Gastonia
27B	THOMAS M. SHUFORD, JR., Lincolnton
28	ROBERT W. FISHER, Asheville
29	ALAN C. LEONARD, Rutherfordton
30	MARCELLUS BUCHANAN, III, Sylva

The Conference of District Attorneys

(Executive Committee as of June 30, 1986)

David R. Waters, *President*
Edward W. Grannis, *President-Elect*
Michael F. Easley, *Vice President*
William H. Andrews, *First Division Representative*
Ronald L. Stephens, *Second Division Representative*
Phillip W. Allen, *Third Division Representative*
James T. Rusher, *Fourth Division Representative*

The District Attorneys Association

(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

David R. Waters, Oxford, *President*

Edward W. Grannis, Fayetteville, *Vice President*

Michael F. Easley, Bolivia, *Vice President for Legislative Affairs*

Jean Elizabeth Powell, Fayetteville, *Secretary-Treasurer*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The District Attorneys

The State is divided into 35 prosecutorial districts which, with one exception, correspond to the 34 judicial districts. By act of the 1981 Session of the General Assembly, the 3rd Judicial District is divided into two separate prosecutorial districts, Prosecutorial Districts 3A and 3B, effective October 1, 1981. Prosecutorial District 3A consists of Pitt County, and Prosecutorial District 3B is comprised of Craven, Carteret, and Pamlico (G.S. 7A-60). A district attorney is elected by the voters in each of the 35 districts for four-year terms.

Duties

The district attorney represents the State in all criminal actions brought in the superior and district courts in his district. In addition to his prosecutorial functions, the district attorney is responsible for calendaring criminal cases for trial.

Resources

Each district attorney may employ on a full-time basis the number of assistant district attorneys authorized by statute for his district. As of June 30, 1986, a total of 222 assistant district attorneys were authorized for the 35 prosecutorial districts. The district attorney of District 26 (Mecklenburg County) had the largest staff (19 assistants) and the district attorney of eight judicial districts (15A, 15B, 17A, 17B, 19B, 23, 24, 27B) had the smallest staff (three assistants).

Each district attorney is authorized to employ an administrative assistant to aid in preparing cases for trial and to expedite the criminal court docket. The district attorney in 18 of the 35 districts is authorized to employ an investigatorial assistant who aids in the investigation of cases prior to trial. By 1986 legislation, all district attorneys (formerly only 10) are authorized to employ a victim and witness assistant.

1985-86 Caseload

A total of 76,179 criminal cases were filed in the superior courts during 1985-86, consisting of 44,980 felony cases and 31,199 misdemeanor appeals from the district courts. The total number of filings in the superior courts (felonies and misdemeanors) in the previous year was 71,915. The increase of 4,264 cases in 1985-86 is a 5.9% increase over the 1984-85 total.

Total criminal cases disposed of by the superior courts in 1985-86 amounted to 74,000. There were 43,402 felony dispositions; the number of misdemeanor cases disposed of was 30,598. Compared with 1984-85, total criminal case dispositions increased by 3,031 over the 70,969 cases disposed of in that fiscal year.

The median ages of 1985-86 criminal cases at disposition in the superior courts were 86 days for felony cases and 67 days for misdemeanor appeals. In 1984-85, the median age of felony cases at disposition was 84 days, and the median age at disposition for misdemeanor appeals was 67 days.

Dispositions by jury trial in the superior courts, for felonies and misdemeanors, totalled 3,306 cases, or 4.5% of total criminal case dispositions in the superior courts. This was a decrease from jury dispositions of 3,577 (5.0% of total dispositions) during the 1984-85 year. As is evident, a very small proportion of all criminal cases utilize the great proportion of superior court time and resources required to handle the criminal caseload.

By contrast, in 1985-86 a majority (39,607 or 53.5%) of criminal case dispositions in superior courts were processed on submission of guilty pleas, not requiring a trial. This was close to the 51.8% of guilty plea dispositions reported for 1984-85.

"Dismissal by district attorney" accounted for a significant percentage of all dispositions during 1985-86; a total of 19,421 cases, or 26.2% of all dispositions. This proportion is comparable to that recorded for prior years. Many of the dismissals involved the situation of two or more cases pending against the same defendant, resulting in a plea bargin agreement where the defendant pleads guilty to some charges in exchange for a dismissal of others.

There was a decrease in the number of "Speedy Trial Act" dismissals in superior courts, from 71 in 1984-85 to 54 in 1985-86.

The total number of criminal cases disposed of in the superior courts was 2,179 cases less than the total number of cases filed in 1985-86. Consequently, the number of pending criminal cases in superior court increased from 23,086 at the beginning of the fiscal year to a total at year's end of 25,265, an increase of 9.4%.

The median age of pending felony cases in the superior courts decreased from 88 days on June 30, 1985 to 83 days on June 30, 1986. Misdemeanor appeals, on the other hand, recorded an increase, with the median age of pending misdemeanor appeals increasing from 72 days on June 30, 1985 to 74 days on June 30, 1986.

In the district courts, a total of 1,285,007 criminal cases were filed during 1985-86. This total consisted of 839,168 motor vehicle criminal cases and 445,839 non-motor vehicle criminal cases. A comparison of total filings in 1985-86 with total filings (1,184,528) in 1984-85 reveals an increase in district court criminal filing activity of 100,479 cases or 8.5%. Filings in the motor vehicle case category rose by 67,174 cases, from 771,994 cases in 1984-85 to 839,168 cases in 1985-86, an increase of 8.7%. Filings in the non-motor vehicle case category rose by 33,305 cases (8.1%), from a total of 412,534 cases in 1984-85 to 445,839 cases in 1985-86.

Total dispositions in district courts during 1985-86 in the motor vehicle criminal case category amounted to 813,632 cases. As in prior years, a substantial portion (454,693 cases or 55.9%) was disposed of by waiver of appearance and entry of plea of guilty before a clerk or magistrate. This substantial number of criminal cases did not, of course, require action by the district attorneys' offices and should not be regarded as having been a part of the district attorneys' caseload. The remaining 358,939 motor vehicle cases were disposed of by means other than a waiver. This balance was 28,135 cases, or 8.5% more than the 330,804 such dispositions in 1984-85. (The clerks of court do not report motor vehicle criminal cases by case file number to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Only summary total number of filings and dispositions are reported. Therefore, it is not possible by computer-processing to obtain pending case data for the motor vehicle criminal case category.)

With respect to non-motor vehicle criminal case dispositions, a total of 432,206 such cases were disposed of in district courts in 1985-86. As with superior court criminal cases, the most frequent method of disposition was by entry of guilty plea; the next most frequent was dismissal by the district attorney. Some 152,003 cases, or 35.2% of the dispositions were by guilty pleas. An additional 109,596 cases, or 25.4% of the total were disposed of by prosecutor dismissal. The remaining cases were disposed of by waiver (12.9%), trial (11.0%), as a felony probable cause matter (9.0%), or by other means (6.5%).

During 1985-86, the median age at disposition of non-motor vehicle criminal cases was 28 days, compared with 27 days at disposition for 1984-85.

Total non-motor vehicle criminal dispositions were 13,633 cases less than the total of such filings during 1985-86. The number of non-motor vehicle criminal cases pending at year's end was 78,665, compared with a total of 65,032 at the beginning of the year, an increase of 13,633 (21.0%) in the number of pending cases. The median age for pending non-motor vehicle cases rose from 48 days on June 30, 1985 to 50 days on June 30, 1986.

Additional information on the criminal caseloads in superior and district courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT
(As of June 30, 1986)

COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT	COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT
Alamance	Louise B. Wilson	Johnston	Will R. Crocker
Alexander	Seth Chapman	Jones	Ronald H. Metts
Alleghany	Joan B. Atwood	Lee	Lucille H. York
Anson	R. Frank Hightower	Lenoir	Claude C. Davis
Ashe	Virginia W. Johnson	Lincoln	Nellie L. Bess
Avery	Robert F. Taylor	Macon	Lois S. Morris
Beaufort	Thomas S. Payne, III	Madison	James W. Cody
Bertie	John Tyler	Martin	Phyllis G. Pearson
Bladen	Hilda H. Coleman	McDowell	Ruth B. Williams
Brunswick	K. Gregory Bellamy	Mecklenburg	Robert M. Blackburn
Buncombe	J. Ray Elingburg	Mitchell	Roger W. Ellis
Burke	Major A. Joines	Montgomery	Charles M. Johnson
Cabarrus	Estus B. White	Moore	Rachel H. Comer
Caldwell	Jeanette Turner	Nash	Rachel M. Joyner
Camden	Catherine W. McCoy	New Hanover	Louise D. Rehder
Carteret	Mary Austin	Northampton	R. Jennings White, Jr.
Caswell	Janet H. Cobb	Onslow	Everitte Barbee
Catawba	Eunice W. Mauney	Orange	Jean H. Connerat
Chatham	Janice Oldham	Pamlico	Mary Jo Potter
Cherokee	Rose Mary Crooke	Pasquotank	Frances W. Thompson
Chowan	Marjorie H. Hollowell	Pender	Frances N. Futch
Clay	R. L. Cherry	Perquimans	W. J. Ward
Cleveland	Ruth S. Dedmon	Person	W. Thomas Humphries
Columbus	Lacy R. Thompson	Pitt	Sandra Gaskins
Craven	Dorothy Pate	Polk	Judy P. Arledge
Cumberland	George T. Griffin	Randolph	John H. Skeen
Currituck	Wiley B Elliot	Richmond	Miriam F. Greene
Dare	Betty Mann	Robeson	Dixie I. Barrington
Davidson	Hugh Shepherd	Rockingham	Frankie C. Williams
Davie	Delores C. Jordan	Rowan	Francis Glover
Duplin	John A. Johnson	Rutherford	Joan M. Jenkins
Durham	James Leo Carr	Sampson	Charlie T. McCullen
Edgecombe	Curtis Weaver	Scotland	C. Whitfield Gibson, Jr.
Forsyth	Frances P. Storey	Stanly	David R. Fisher
Franklin	Ralph S. Knott	Stokes	Pauline Kirkman
Gaston	Betty B. Jenkins	Surry	David J. Beal
Gates	Frank L. Rice	Swain	Sara Robinson
Graham	O. W. Hooper, Jr.	Transylvania	Marian M. McMahon
Granville	Mary Ruth C. Nelms	Tyrrell	Jessie L. Spencer
Greene	Joyce L. Harrell	Union	Nola H. McCollum
Guilford	James Lee Knight	Vance	Lucy Longmire
Halifax	Ellen C. Neathery	Wake	John M. Kennedy
Harnett	Georgia Lee Brown	Warren	Richard E. Hunter, Jr.
Haywood	William G. Henry	Washington	Timothy L. Spear
Henderson	Thomas H. Thompson	Watauga	John T. Bingham
Hertford	Richard T. Vann	Wayne	David B. Brantly
Hoke	Juanita Edmund	Wilkes	Wayne Roope
Hyde	Lenora R. Bright	Wilson	Nora H. Hargrove
Iredell	Carl G. Smith	Yadkin	Harold J. Long
Jackson	Frank Watson, Jr.	Yancey	F. Warren Hughes

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Clerks of Superior Court

A Clerk of Superior Court is elected for a four-year term by the voters in each of North Carolina's 100 counties. The Clerk has jurisdiction to hear and decide special proceedings and is, *ex officio*, judge of probate, in addition to performing record-keeping and administrative functions for both the superior and district courts of his county.

Jurisdiction

The original jurisdiction of the clerk of superior court includes the probate of wills and administration of decendents' estates. It also includes such "special proceedings" as adoptions, condemnations of private property under the public's right of eminent domain, proceedings to establish boundaries, foreclosures, and certain proceedings to administer the estates of minors and incompetent adults. The right of appeal from the clerks' judgments in such cases lies to the superior court.

The clerk of superior court is also empowered to issue search warrants and arrest warrents, subpoenas, and other process necessary to execute the judgments entered in the superior and district courts of his county. For certain misdemeanor criminal offenses, the clerk is authorized to accept defendants' waiver of appearance and plea of guilty and to impose a fine in accordance with a schedule established by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges.

Administration

The clerk of superior court performs administrative duties for both the superior and district courts of his county. Among these duties are the maintenance of court records and indexes, the control and accounting of funds, and the furnishing of information to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

In most counties, the clerk continues to perform certain functions related to preparation of civil case calendars, and in many counties, the clerk's staff assists the district attorney in preparing criminal case calendars as well. Policy and oversight responsibility for civil case calendaring is vested in the State's senior resident superior court judges and chief district court judges. However, day-to-day civil calendar preparation is the clerk's responsibility in all districts except those served by trial court administrators.

Expenditures

A total of $42,316,248 was expended in 1985-86 for the operation of the 100 clerk of superior court offices. In addition to the salaries and other expenses of the clerks and their staffs, this total includes expenditures for jurors' fees, and witness expenses.

Total expenditures for clerks' offices in 1985-86 amounted to 31.1% of the General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department.

1985-86 Caseload

During 1985-86, estate case filings totalled 41,593. This was an increase over the 40,733 cases filed in 1984-85. Estate case dispositions totalled 39,765 cases in 1985-86, or 3.0% more than the previous year's total of 38,615.

A total of 35,281 special proceedings was filed before the 100 clerks of superior court in 1985-86. This is an increase of 1,998 cases (6.0%) from the 33,283 filings in the previous fiscal year. Special proceedings dispositions totalled 31,735 cases, or 1.5% more than the previous year's total of 31,263.

The clerks of superior court are also responsible for handling the records of all case filings and dispositions in the superior and district courts. The total number of superior court case filings during the 1985-86 year was 91,336 and the total number of district court filings, not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, was 1,682,321.

More detailed information on the estates and special proceedings caseloads is included in Part IV of this Report.

Association of Clerks of Superior Court
(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

David J. Beal, Surry County
President

John Johnson, Duplin County
First Vice President

Frances W. Thompson, Pasquotank County
Second Vice President

James L. Carr, Durham County
Secretary

Ray Elingburg, Buncombe County
Treasurer

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

Juvenile Services Division

The Juvenile Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts provides intake, probation and aftercare services to juveniles who are before the District Courts for delinquent matters, *i.e.*, violations of the criminal code, including motor vehicle violations; and for undisciplined matters, such as running away from home, being truant, and being beyond the parents' disciplinary control.

Intake is the screening of complaints alleging delinquent or undisciplined behavior by children, to determine whether petitions should be filed. During the 1985-86 year a total of 25,521 complaints were brought to the attention of intake counselors. Of this number, 16,187 (63.4%) were approved for filing, and 9,334 (36.6%) were not approved for filing.

Probation and aftercare refer to supervision of children in their own communities. Probation is authorized by judicial order. Aftercare service is provided for juveniles after their release from a training school. (Protective supervision is also a form of court-ordered supervision within the community; and this service is combined with probation and aftercare.)

In 1985-86 a total of 16,241 juveniles were supervised in the probation and aftercare program.

Expenditures

The Juvenile Services Division is State-funded. The expenditures for fiscal year 1985-86 totalled $9,708,673. This was an increase of 14.0% over the 1984-85 expenditures. The 1985-86 expenditures amounted to 7.3% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, close to the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures for the Division as in the previous fiscal year.

Administration

The Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division is appointed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. A chief court counselor is appointed for each judicial district by the Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division, with the approval of the Chief District Court Judge and the Administrative Officer of the Courts. Subject to the Administrator's general supervision, each chief court counselor exercises administrative supervision over the operation of the court counseling services in the respective districts.

Juvenile Services Division Staff
(As of June 30, 1986)

Thomas A. Danek, *Administrator*
W. Robert Atkinson, *Assistant Administrator*
Edward F. Taylor, *Assistant Administrator*
John T. Wilson, *Assistant Administrator*
Rex B. Yates, *Assistant Administrator*
Jennie E. Cannon, *Education Coordinator*

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Juvenile Services Division
(As of June 30, 1986)

Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors	Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors
1	Robert Hendrix	16	Robert Hughes
2	Joseph Paul	17A and 17B	Martha Lauten
3	Eve C. Rogers	18	J. Manley Dodson
4	Ida Ray Miles	19A and 19B	James Queen
5	William T. Childs	20	Jimmy Craig
6	John R. Brady	21	James J. Weakland
7	Nancy C. Patteson	22	Carl T. Duncan
8	Lynn C. Sasser	23	Wayne C. Dixon
9	Tommy Lewis	24	Lynn Hughes
10	Larry C. Dix	25	Lee Cox
11	Henry C. Cox	26	James Yancey
12	Phil T. Utley	27A	Yvonne Hall
13	Jimmy Godwin	27B	Gloria Newman
14	Fred Elkins	28	Louis Parrish
15A	Harry Derr	29	Kenneth Lanning
15B	Harold Rogerson	30	Betty G. Alley

THE COURT COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION
(Officers for 1985-86)

Executive Committee Members

Mark Vinson, *President*
Harold Rogerson, *President-Elect*
Dianne Blanton, *Secretary*
Larry Dix, *Treasurer*
Lee Crites, *Parliamentarian*

Board Members

1983-86	1984-87	1985-88
Fred Elliott	Carl Duncan	Jane Clare
Jan Dial Smith	Eve Rogers	Nancy Patteson
Dennis Cotten	Debbie Culler	Bruce Stanback

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

Public Defenders

During 1985-86, there were seven public defender offices in North Carolina, serving Judicial Districts 3,* 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The public defender of each district is appointed by the senior resident superior court judge of that district from a list of not less than two and not more than three names nominated by written ballot of the attorneys resident in the district who are licensed to practice law in North Carolina. Their terms are four years. Each public defender is by statute provided a minimum of one full-time assistant public defender and additional full-time or part-time assistants as may be authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Entitlement of Indigents to Counsel

A person is determined to be indigent if he is found "financially unable to secure legal representation." He is entitled to State-paid legal representation in: any proceeding which may result in (or which seeks relief from) confinement; a fine of $500 or more; or extradition to another State; a proceeding alleging mental illness or incapacity which may result in hospitalization, sterilization, or the loss of certain property rights; and juvenile proceedings which may result in confinement, transfer to superior court for a felony trial, or termination of parental rights.

Most of the cases of State-paid representation of indigents in the districts with public defenders are handled by the public defender's office. However, the court may in certain circumstances—such as existence of a potential conflict of interest—assign private counsel to represent an indigent defendant. In the other 28 districts, the assigned private counsel system was the only one used.

Expenditures

A total of $3,282,969 was expended for the operation of the seven public defenders' offices during 1985-86. This was an increase of $359,995 (12.3%) over the 1984-85 total of $2,922,974.

1985-86 Caseload

The seven public defender offices disposed of cases involving a total of 20,970 defendants during 1985-86. This was an increase of 1,884 defendants, or 9.9%, over the 19,086 defendants represented during 1984-85.

Additional information concerning the operation of these offices is found in Part III of this *Annual Report.*

PUBLIC DEFENDERS
(As of June 30, 1986)

District 3
Robert L. Shoffner, Jr., Greenville

District 12
Mary Ann Tally, Fayetteville

District 15B
John Kirk Osborn, Chapel Hill

District 18
Wallace G. Harrelson, Greensboro

District 26
Isabel S. Day, Charlotte

District 27A
Rowell C. Cloninger, Jr., Gastonia

District 28
J. Robert Hufstader, Asheville

The Association of Public Defenders
(Officers as of June 30, 1986)

Malcolm Ray Hunter, Jr., *President*

Joseph Turner, *Vice President*

Charles L. White, II, *Secretary-Treasurer*

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*The public defender serves only two counties of the four in District 3: Pitt and Carteret.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Office of the Appellate Defender

(Staff as of June 30, 1986)

Malcolm Ray Hunter, Jr., *Appellate Defender*

Assistant Appellate Defenders

Louis D. Bilionis
David W. Dorey
Robin E. Hudson
Geoffrey C. Mangum
Daniel R. Pollitt
Leland Q. Towns

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to that date, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) The 1985 General Assembly made permanent The Appellate Defender Office by repealing its expiration provision. In accord with the assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to the N. C. Supreme Court, the N. C. Court of Appeals, or to Federal courts.

The Appellate Defender is appointed by, and carries out his duties under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender.

1985-86 Caseload

As of July 1, 1985, the Appellate Defender had 56 cases pending in the North Carolina Supreme Court. During the 1985-86 year, a total of 74 additional appeals to the Supreme Court were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year a total of 43 cases in the Supreme Court were disposed of. This left 92 cases pending as of June 30, 1986. During the 1985-86 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 58 briefs and 96 petitions in the Supreme Court.

As of July 1, 1985, the Appellate Defender had 214 cases pending in the North Carolina Court of Appeals. During the 1985-86 year, a total of 114 additional appeals to the Court of Appeals were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year, a total of 244 cases in the Court of Appeals were disposed of. This left 84 cases pending as of June 30, 1986. During the 1985-86 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 151 briefs and 17 petitions in the Court of Appeals.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The North Carolina Courts Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1986)

Appointed by the Governor

H. Parks Helms, Charlotte, *Chairman*
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Garland N. Yates, Asheboro
District Attorney

Johnathan L. Rhyne, Jr., Lincolnton
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Rebecca B. Hundley, Thomasville

Harold J. Long, Yadkinville
Clerk of Court

Dennis J. Winner, Asheville
Member, N.C. State Senate

Appointed by President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor)

Anthony E. Rand, Fayetteville
Member, N.C. Senate

Fielding Clark, II, Hickory

Henson P. Barnes, Goldsboro
Member, N.C. Senate

Earl F. Parker, Apex
Magistrate

R. C. Soles, Jr., Tabor City
Member, N.C. Senate

Howard F. Twiggs, Raleigh

Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)

Kennieth S. Etheridge, Jr., Raleigh
N.C. Bar Association Representative

A. B. Coleman, Jr., Raleigh
N.C. State Bar Representative

Franklin E. Freeman, Jr., Raleigh
Administrative Officer of the Courts

Appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Daniel T. Blue, Jr., Albemarle
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Robert C. Hunter, Marion
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Ralph S. Knott, Louisburg
Clerk of Court

Donald M. Dawkins, Rockingham
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Marvin D. Musselwhite, Jr., Raleigh

Dennis A. Wicker, Sanford
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Appointed by the Chief Justice of the N.C. Supreme Court

Burley B. Mitchell, Jr., Raleigh
Associate Justice, N.C. Supreme Court

Clifton E. Johnson, Charlotte
Judge, N.C. Court of Appeals

Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
Superior Court Judge

Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
Superior Court Judge

Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
District Court Judge

Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
District Court Judge

The North Carolina Courts Commission was reestablished by the 1979 General Assembly "to make continuing studies of the structure, organization, jurisdiction, procedures and personnel of the Judicial Department and of the General Court of Justice and to make recommendations to the General Assembly for such changes therein as will facilitate the administration of justice". Initially, the Commission was comprised of 15 voting members, with five each appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor), and the Speaker of the House. The Commission also had three *ex officio* members as shown above.

The 1981 General Assembly amended the statutes pertaining to the Courts Commission, to increase the number of voting members from 15 to 23, with the Governor to appoint seven voting members, the President of the Senate to appoint eight voting members, and the Speaker of the House to appoint eight voting members. The non-voting *ex officio* members remained the same: a representative of the North Carolina Bar Association, a representative of the North Carolina State Bar, and the Administrative Officer of the Courts.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The North Carolina Courts Commission

The 1983 Session of the General Assembly further amended G.S. 7A-506, to revise the voting membership of the Commission. Effective July 1, 1983, the Commission is to consist of 24 voting members, six to be appointed by the Governor; six to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; six to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and six to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. The Governor continues to appoint the Chairman of the Commission, from among its legislative members. The non-voting *ex officio* membership of three persons remains the same.

Of the six appointees of the Chief Justice, one is to be a Justice of the Supreme Court, one is to be a Judge of the Court of Appeals, two are to be judges of superior court, and two are to be judges of district court.

Of the six appointees of the Governor, one is to be a district attorney, one a practicing attorney, one a clerk of superior court, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly and at least one of these shall not be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the Speaker of the House, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one of these three is not to be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the President of the Senate, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one is to be a magistrate.

During the 1985-86 year the Courts Commission had a total of seven meetings, all of which were held in Raleigh.

The following Commission proposals were approved by the 1986 Session of the General Assembly:

- Statutory amendment eliminating numbered seats for election of judges of the superior court (Chapter 957, S 893).
- Statutory amendment providing that when two superior court seats with terms of different lengths in the same district must be filled at the same election, the full terms and expired terms are treated as different offices, and candidates may file for only one of the offices (Chapter 986, S 892); but if Chapter 986, S 892 is not pre-cleared under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, then in elections in which seats are unnumbered, candidates with the most votes get the longer terms (Chapter 987, S 922). (Note: Chapter 986 has been pre-cleared.)
- Statutory amendment delaying until September 1, 1986, the effective date of and making technical changes to the infractions legislation enacted in the 1985 session (Chapter 852, H 1509).
- Statutory amendment effective October 1, 1986 limiting judges from exempting defendants on supervised probation from the $10 per month supervision fee to cases in which the defendant files a motion and the court finds good cause for the excuse (Chapter 859, H 1573).

The Courts Commission also introduced two bills which never emerged from committee: (1) an act to add the Attorney General to the Courts Commission and to allow the Commission to use subcommittees; and (2) an act to authorize an arbitration of civil cases pilot project in the twenty-sixth judicial district.

In addition, the Commission proposed legislation to provide that an assistant district attorney may not concurrently hold elective office. This bill failed the second reading in the Senate.

Finally, in two resolutions the Commission expressed its general support of uniformly applying court costs to all cases, and limiting such costs to the expense of performing the service for which they are assessed; and the Commission urged the General Assembly to provide a central repository for the filing of decisions rendered by the justice department under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1985-86

The Judicial Standards Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1986)

Appointed by the Chief Justice

Court of Appeals Judge Gerald Arnold, Fuquay-Varina, *Chairman*

Superior Court Judge James M. Long, Pilot Mountain

District Court Judge L. T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro

Appointed by the Governor

Veatrice C. Davis, Fayetteville, *Secretary*

Pamela S. Gaither, Charlotte

Elected by the Council of the N.C. State Bar

E. K. Powe, Durham, *Vice Chairman*

Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., Warsaw

Deborah R. Carrington, *Executive Secretary*

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

The Judicial Standards Commission was established by the General Assembly pursuant to a constitutional amendment approved by the voters at the general election in November 1972.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may censure or remove any judge for willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute. In addition, upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may remove any judge for mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his duties, which is, or is likely to become, permanent.

Where a recommendation for censure or removal involves a justice of the Supreme Court, the recommendation and supporting record is filed with the Court of Appeals which has and proceeds under the same authority for censure or removal of a judge. Such a proceeding would be heard by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the six judges senior in service, excluding the Court of Appeals judge who by law serves as the Chairman of the Judicial Commission.

In addition to a recommendation of censure or removal, the Commission also utilizes a disciplinary measure known as a reprimand. The reprimand is a mechanism administratively developed for dealing with inquiries where the conduct does not warrant censure or removal, but where some action is justified. Since the establishment of the Judicial Standards Commission in 1973, reprimands have been issued in fourteen instances covering 20 inquiries.

During the July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986 fiscal year, the Judicial Standards Commission met on November 1, 1985, and March 21, 1986.

A complaint or other information against a judge, whether filed with the Commission or initiated by the Commission on its own motion, is designated as an "Inquiry Concerning a Judge." Fourteen such inquiries were pending as of July 1, 1985, and 59 inquiries were filed during the fiscal year, giving the Commission a total workload of 73 inquiries.

During the fiscal year, the Commission disposed of 55 inquiries, and 18 inquiries remained pending at the end of the fiscal year.

The determinations of the Commission regarding the 55 inquiries disposed of during the fiscal year were as follows:

(1) fifty-one inquiries were determined to involve evidentiary rulings, length of sentences, or other matters not within the Commission's jurisdiction rather than questions of judicial misconduct;

(2) one inquiry was determined to involve allegations of conduct which did not rise to such a level as would warrant investigation by the Commission;

(3) two inquiries were determined to warrant no further action following completion of preliminary investigations; and

(4) one inquiry resulted in the issuance of a reprimand.

Of the 18 inquiries pending at the end of the fiscal year:

(1) fifteen inquiries were awaiting initial review by the Commission; and

(2) three inquiries covered in five preliminary investigative files were awaiting completion of the investigation or were subject to other action by the Commission.

PART III

COURT RESOURCES

- **Financial**
- **Personnel**

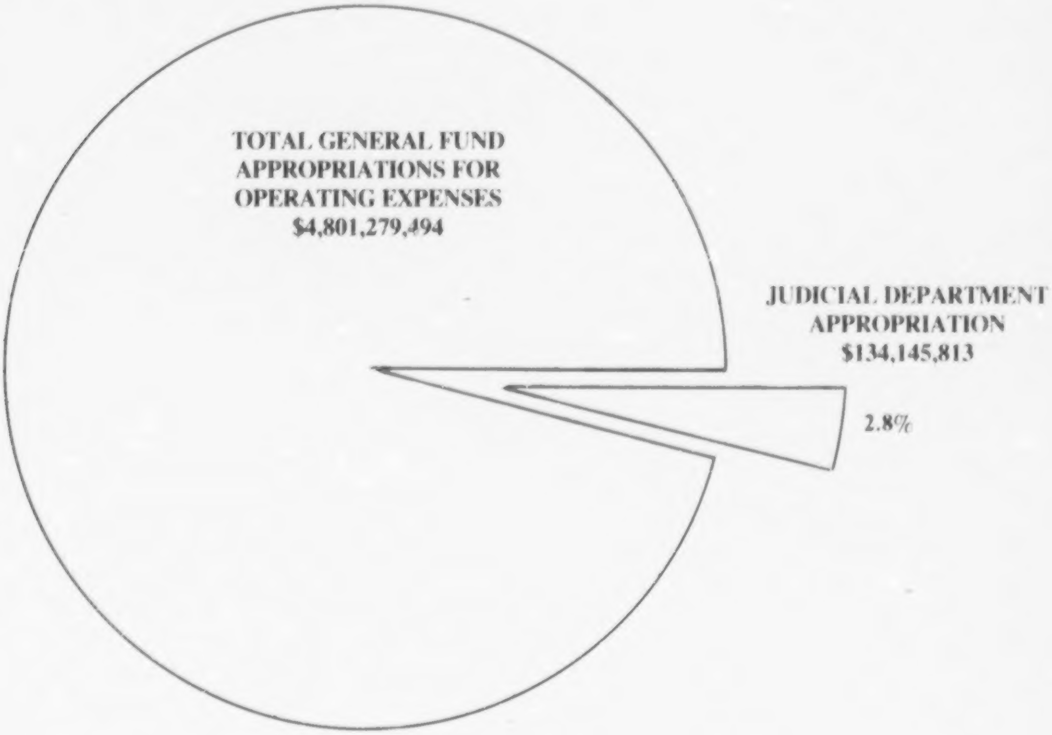
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Under the State Constitution the operating expenses of the Judicial Department (all North Carolina courts) "other than compensation to process servers and other locally paid non-judicial officers" are required to be paid from State funds. It is customary legislative practice for the General Assembly to include appropriations for the operating expenses of all three branches of State government in a single budget bill, for a two-year period ending on June 30 of the odd-numbered years. The budget for the second year of the biennium is generally modified during the even-year legislative session.

Building facilities for the appellate courts are provided by State funds, but, by statute, the county governments are required to provide from county funds for adequate facilities for the trial courts within each of the 100 counties.

Appropriations from the State's General Fund for operating expenses for all departments and agencies of State government, including the Judicial Department, totalled $4,801,279,494 for the 1985-86 fiscal year. (Appropriations from the Highway Fund and appropriations from the General Fund for capital improvements and debt servicing are not included in this total.)

The appropriation from the General Fund for the operating expenses of the Judicial Department for 1985-86 was $134,145,813. As illustrated in the chart below, this General Fund appropriation for the Judicial Department comprised 2.8% of the General Fund appropriations for the operating expenses of all State agencies and departments.



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Appropriation from the State's general fund for operating expenses of the Judicial Department over the past seven fiscal years are shown in the table below and in the graph at the top of the following page. For comparative purposes, appropriations from the general fund for operating expenses of all State agencies and departments (including the Judicial Department) for the last seven fiscal years are also shown in the table below and in the second graph on the following page.

APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND FOR OPERATING EXPENSES

	Judicial Department		All State Agencies	
Fiscal Year	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year
1979-1980	71,616,057	12.45	2,761,002,481	12.60
1980-1981	82,929,174	15.80	3,140,949,832	13.76
1981-1982	89,631,765	8.08	3,339,761,674	6.33
1982-1983	93,927,824	4.79	3,488,908,246	4.47
1983-1984	106,182,188	13.05	3,730,497,565	6.92
1984-1985	121,035,791	13.99	4,319,568,173	15.79
1985-1986	134,145,813	10.83	4,801,279,494	11.15
AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE 1979-1986		11.28%		10.15%

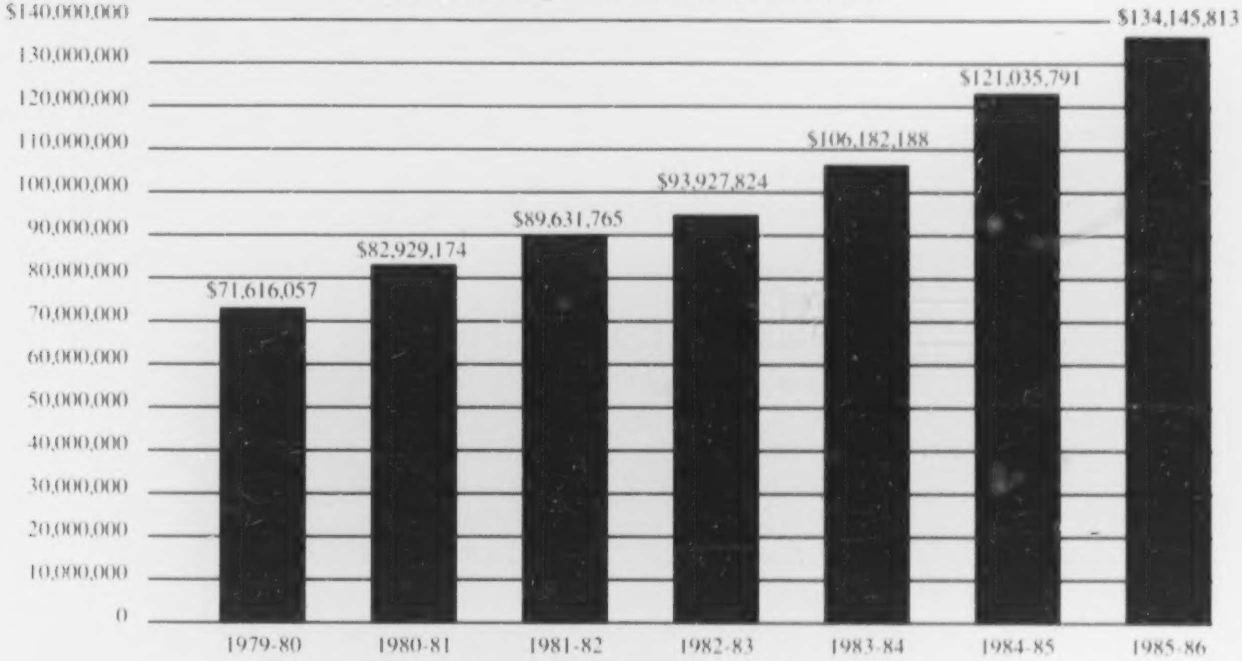
During the past decade, including the seven-year period covered by the above table, inflation has been a significant factor in the national economy.

The greatest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the last seven years was for the 1980-81 fiscal year. The increase for that year was due in large measure to a 10% pay increase for Judicial Branch personnel, with the same pay increase provided for personnel of all State government agencies. A 10% pay increase was also provided for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Fiscal year 1982-83 shows the smallest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the seven-year period. The decline in percentage increase that year was consistent with a similar decline for all State government agencies.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

General Fund Appropriations for Operating Expenses Of the Judicial Department, 1979-80 — 1985-86



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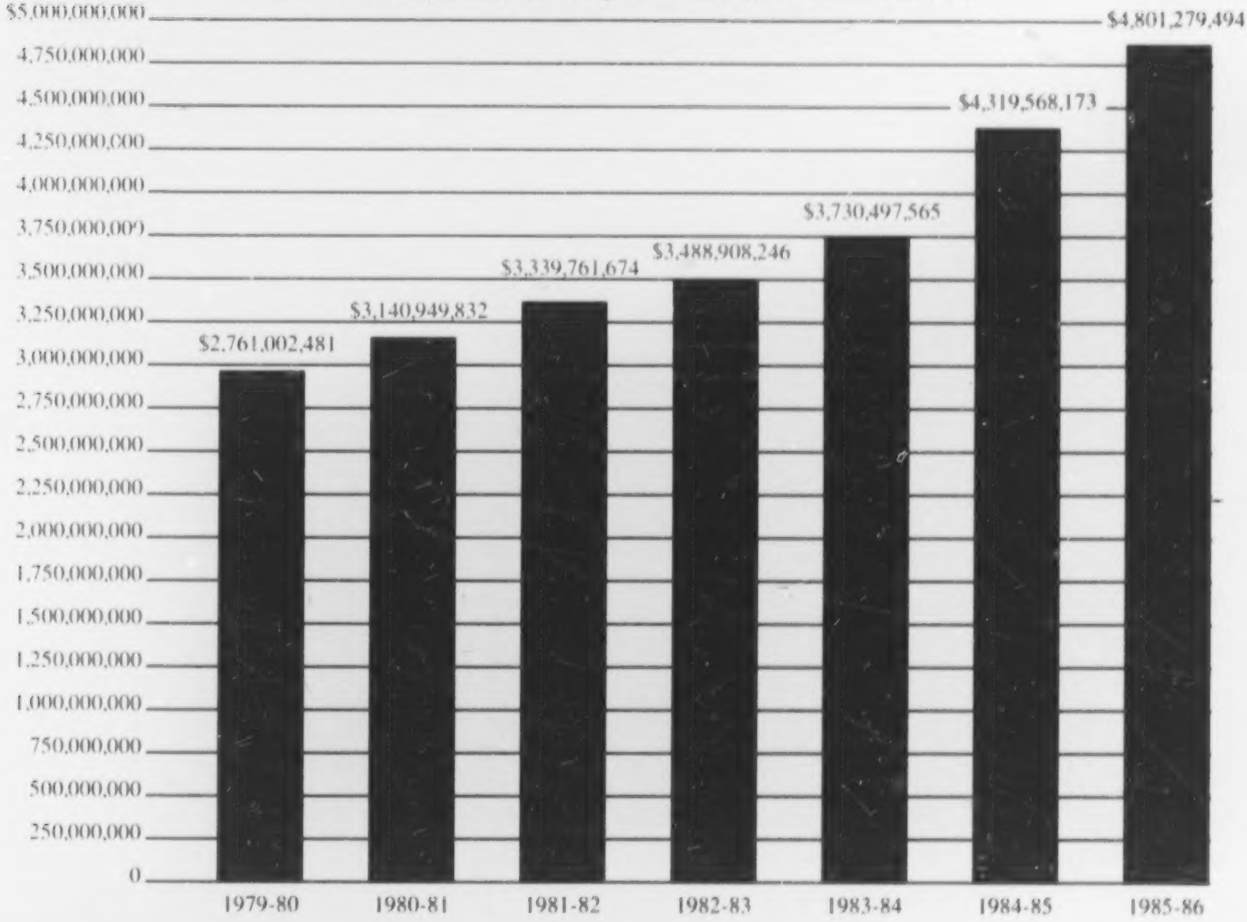


JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES
Expenditures July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

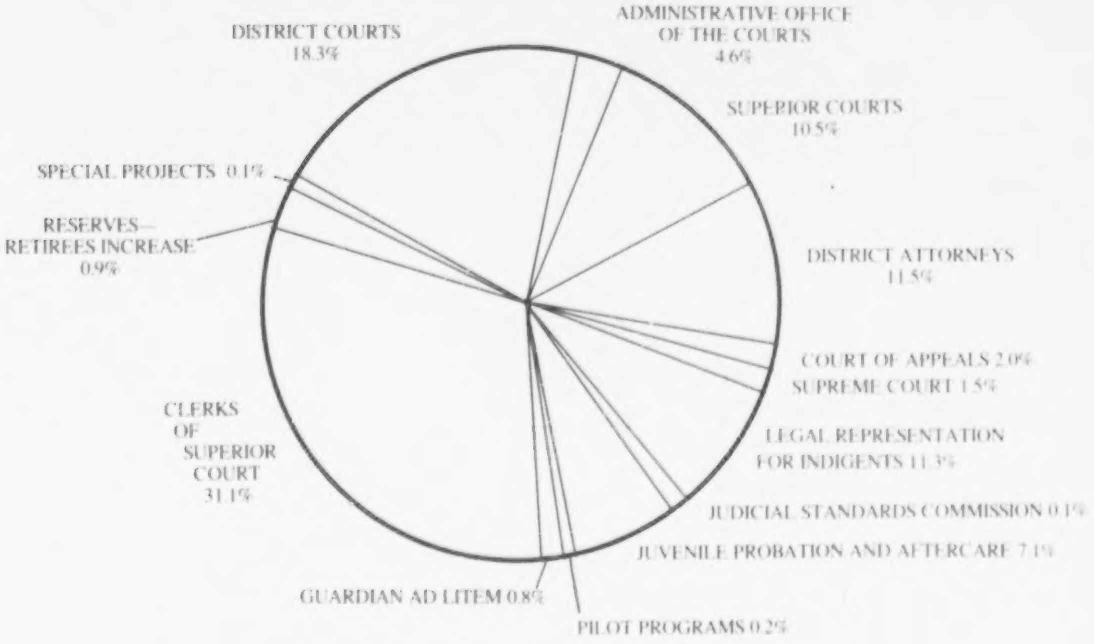
General Fund expenditures operating expenses of the Judicial Department during the 1985-86 fiscal year totalled $136,029,696 divided among the major budget classifications as shown below.

	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court	$ 2,063,229	1.5
Court of Appeals	2,763,224	2.0
Superior Courts	14,263,095	10.5
District Courts	24,098,806	18.3
Clerks of Superior Court	42,316,248	31.1
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare	9,708,673	7.1
Representation for Indigents	16,480,870	12.1
Assigned private counsel $10,954,526		
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles $316,658		
Guardian *ad litem*—volunteer and contract program $772,989		
Public defenders $3,282,969		
Special counsel at mental hospitals $211,684		
Support services (expert witness fees, professional examinations, transcripts) $531,046		
Appellate Defender Services $410,998		
District Attorney Offices	15,588,476	11.5
Office-District Attorney $15,504,603		
District Attorneys' Conference $83,873		
Administrative Office of the Courts	6,308,481	4.6
General Administration $3,115,547		
Information Services $2,942,338		
Warehouse & Printing $250,596		
Judicial Standards Commission	96,903	.1
Pilot Programs	267,852	.2
Custody Mediation Pilot $67,372		
Indigency Screening Pilot $167,480		
Dispute Settlement Center $33,000		
Special Projects	63,839	.1
Model Juvenile Court Project $10,656		
Prosecution Management System $23,107		
Victim Assistance, 21st District $7,705		
Victim Assistance, 28th District $16,062		
Victim Assistance, 13th District $6,309		
Reserves—Retiree Increase	1,200,000	.9
TOTAL	**136,029,696***	**100.0**

*General Fund expenditures exceeded General Fund appropriations by $1,883,883 which was funded from the nonreverting cash balance of the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee account.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

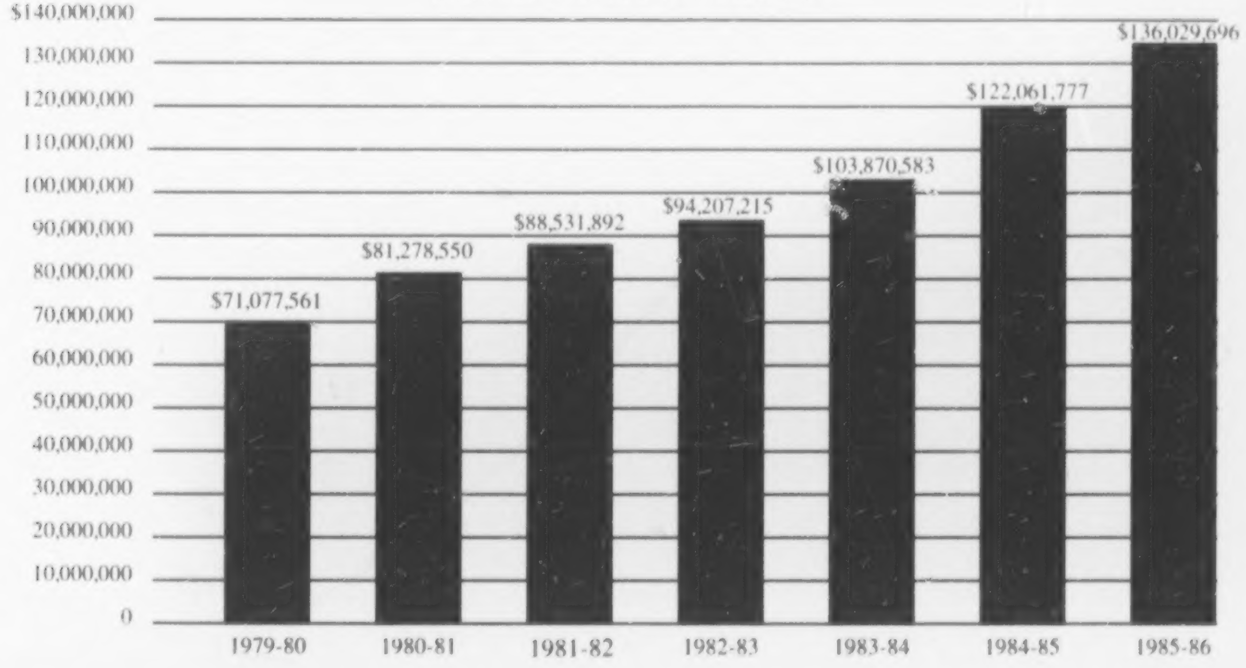
Expenditures, July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986



As the above chart illustrates, most (91%) of Judicial Department expenditures goes for operation of the State's trial courts: operation of superior courts took 10.5% of total expenditures; operation of the district courts (including magistrates, judges and court reporters) took 18.3% of the total; the clerks' office, 31.1% of the total; and district attorneys offices, 11.5% of total Judicial Department expenditures.

The total General Fund expenditures of $136,029,696 for 1985-86 represents an 11.4% increase over expenditures of $122,061,777 in 1984-85.

General Fund Expenditures For the Judicial Department
Fiscal Year 1979-80 — 1985-86



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

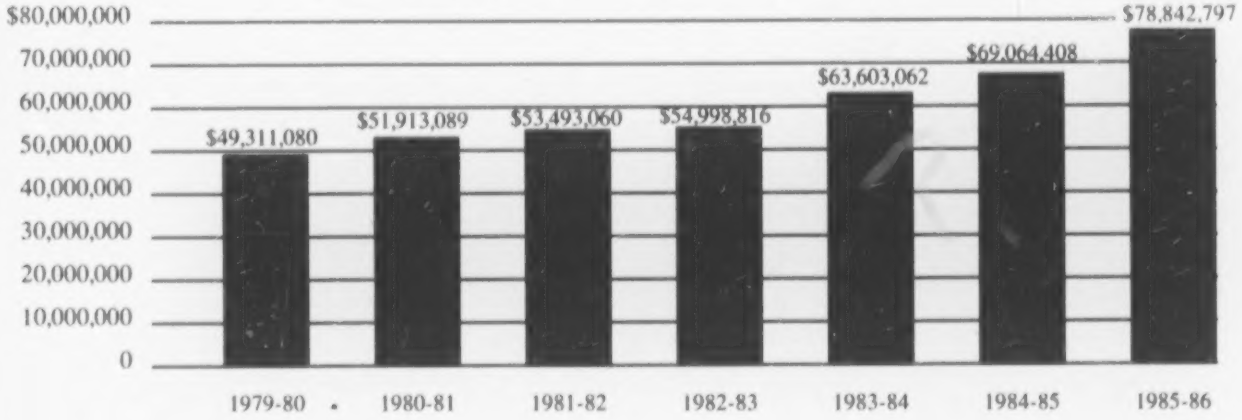
Department Receipts
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

Receipts for the Judicial Department in the 1985-86 fiscal year totalled $78,842,797. The several sources of these receipts are shown in the table below. As in the previous years, the major source of receipts is the assessment of "court costs" in superior and district courts, paid by litigants in accordance with the schedule of costs and fees set out in G.S. 7A-304 *et seq.*; these payments constituted 66.30% of the total receipts during 1985-86. Fines and forfeitures made up 28.84% of the total. Receipts in the remaining categories—Supreme Court and Court of Appeals filing fees, sales of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Reports and payments on indigent representation judgments—made up less than five percent of the total.

Source of Receipts	**Amount**	**% of Total**
Supreme Court Fees	$ 10,978	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	40,842	.05
Superior and District Court Costs	56,268,560	66.30
Fines and Forfeitures	22,739,185	28.84
Sales of Appellate Division *Reports*	164,788	.21
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgments	1,764,898	2.24
Ten-Day License Revocation Fee	994,959	1.09
Interest on Checking Accounts	858,587	1.09
Total	**$78,842,797**	**100.00**

This total of $78,842,797 is an increase of 12.4% over total 1984-85 receipts of $69,064,408. The graph below illustrates increases in recent years in total Judicial Department receipts.

Judicial Department Receipts, 1979-80 — 1985-86



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Distribution of Judicial Department Receipts (July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986)

As required by the State Constitution, fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by the courts in criminal cases are distributed to the respective counties in which the cases are tried. These funds must be used by the counties for the support of the public schools.

A uniform schedule of court costs for civil and criminal cases, comprised of a variety of fees, is set by statute for cases filed in the superior and district courts. Statutes prescribe the distribution of these fees and provide that certain fees shall be devoted to specific uses. For example, a facilities fee is included in court costs when costs are assessed, and this fee is paid over to the respective county or municipality which provided the facility used in the case. These fees must be utilized by the counties and municipalities to provide and maintain courtrooms and related judicial facilities.

Officer fees (for arrest and service of process) are included, where applicable, in the cost of each case filed in the trial courts. If a municipal officer performed these services in a case, the fee is paid over to the respective municipality. Otherwise, all officer fees are paid to the respective counties in which the cases are filed.

A jail fee is included in the costs of each case where applicable; and these fees are distributed to the respective county or municipality whose facilities were used. Most jail facilities in the State are provided by the counties.

A fee for the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund is included as a part of court costs when costs are assessed in a criminal case. As required by statute, the Judicial Department remits these fees to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund.

Except as indicated, all superior and district court costs collected by the Judicial Department are paid into the State's General Fund, as are appellate court fees and proceeds from the sales of appellate division reports.

When private counsel or a public defender is assigned to represent an indigent defendant in a criminal case, the trial judge sets the money value for the services rendered. If the defendant is convicted, a judgment lien is entered against him for such amount. Collections on these judgments are paid into and retained by the department to defray the costs of legal representation of indigents.

Proceeds from the ten-day driver license revocation fee, which driving-while-intoxicated offenders must pay to recover their driver licenses, are distributed to the counties.

	Amount	% of Total
Remitted to State Treasurer		
Supreme Court Fees	$ 10,978	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	40,842	.05
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	164,788	.21
Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund Fees	3,908,404	4.96
Other Superior and District Court Fees	35,952,822	45.60
Total to State Treasurer	**40,077,834**	**50.83**
Distributed to Counties		
Fines and Forfeitures	22,739,185	28.84
Judicial Facilities Fees	6,622,958	8.40
Officer Fees	3,033,368	3.85
Jail Fees	655,842	.83
Ten-Day License Revocation Fees	994,959	1.26
Total to Counties	**34,046,312**	**43.18**
Distributed to Counties and Beneficiaries		
Interest on Checking Accounts	858,587	1.09
Distributed to Municipalities		
Judicial Facilities Fees	341,263	.43
Officer Fees	1,748,435	2.22
Jail Fees	5,468	.01
Total to Municipalities	**2,095,166**	**2.66**
Retained by Judicial Department		
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgments	**1,764,898**	**2.24**
GRAND TOTAL	**78,842,797**	**100.00**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Alamance	106,553.21	56,872.29	17,806.17	439,479.59	-0-	22,493.00	-0-	643,204.26
Alexander	16,681.41	8,571.00	4,464.00	87,698.25	-0-	392.00	-0-	117,806.66
Alleghany	9,204.50	4,524.50	1,112.00	26,344.00	-0-	362.00	-0-	41,547.00
Anson	30,919.91	14,955.50	1,266.00	86,077.40	-0-	832.00	-0-	134,050.81
Ashe	16,485.00	12,503.00	1,932.00	66,179.03	-0-	512.00	-0-	97,611.03
Avery	13,286.00	9,282.00	1,168.00	55,406.00	-0-	454.00	-0-	79,596.00
Beaufort	50,673.59	40,846.57	15,161.85	198,996.92	-0-	10,288.00	-0-	315,966.93
Bertie	21,947.00	18,349.00	1,508.00	59,421.40	-0-	848.00	-0-	102,073.40
Bladen	40,504.22	33,956.50	961.00	132,059.75	926.00	1,340.00	-0-	209,747.47
Brunswick	40,091.00	21,200.00	2,260.40	175,067.27	1,935.00	2,788.00	-0-	243,341.67
Buncombe	176,964.47	108,581.17	4,757.50	688,434.61	-0-	44,299.00	-0-	1,023,036.75
Burke	76,349.00	33,842.00	8,727.69	241,400.49	-0-	9,664.00	-0-	369,983.18
Cabarrus	82,876.50	52,261.00	24,655.87	353,156.67	13,002.00	30,543.50	-0-	556,495.54
Caldwell	61,140.60	27,045.03	2,160.00	196,073.70	-0-	7,532.00	-0-	293,951.33
Camden	8,270.00	6,300.00	1,495.00	40,712.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	56,777.00
Carteret	66,596.00	34,034.56	1,608.00	273,086.97	-0-	15,461.50	-0-	390,787.03
Caswell	14,627.66	13,281.00	1,801.33	96,176.39	-0-	-0-	-0-	125,886.38
Catawba	60,622.40	40,902.00	6,830.00	365,148.49	60,730.50	29,998.26	1,175.00	565,406.65
Chatham	35,114.00	34,092.00	4,073.50	139,825.78	9,940.00	1,524.00	175.00	224,744.28
Cherokee	20,113.22	16,669.12	6,508.00	115,610.50	-0-	1,990.00	270.00	161,160.84
Chowan	18,733.00	12,482.00	1,020.00	48,157.61	-0-	3,576.00	-0-	83,968.61
Clay	4,732.00	3,480.00	1,610.00	27,859.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	37,681.00
Cleveland	78,299.99	32,767.00	14,037.00	225,356.56	-0-	8,623.00	-0-	359,083.55
Columbus	50,819.50	44,837.20	3,908.00	156,979.80	3,008.00	3,784.00	75.00	263,411.50
Craven	102,484.75	34,697.34	11,595.67	347,586.44	-0-	28,904.00	-0-	525,268.20
Cumberland	291,547.40	111,544.97	44,609.17	812,723.71	-0-	60,129.00	-0-	1,320,554.25
Currituck	15,460.00	13,154.67	2,090.00	74,098.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	104,802.67
Dare	47,088.46	22,895.91	5,080.00	258,746.22	-0-	14,128.00	-0-	347,938.59
Davidson	78,071.72	60,275.45	5,831.00	408,871.08	11,850.00	8,327.00	-0-	573,226.25
Davie	19,268.95	13,598.00	749.00	72,152.08	-0-	740.00	-0-	106,508.03
Duplin	40,163.71	21,576.70	3,256.25	164,073.69	-0-	1,328.00	305.00	230,703.35
Durham	253,567.00	68,917.00	2,291.00	614,013.22	-0-	92,140.00	-0-	1,030,928.22
Edgecombe	39,076.31	48,484.50	11,814.70	122,694.15	32,124.00	17,062.00	535.00	271,790.66
Forsyth	295,843.22	17,644.00	30,664.96	966,565.89	2,354.00	136,543.00	-0-	1,449,615.07
Franklin	26,347.22	16,211.00	2,538.00	98,747.01	-0-	316.00	-0-	144,159.23
Gaston	144,857.75	92,110.00	10,455.50	436,522.41	-0-	18,286.00	-0-	702,231.66
Gates	10,812.00	7,836.00	1,192.00	39,871.48	-0-	28.00	-0-	59,739.48
Graham	5,703.00	4,866.00	3,109.00	24,361.00	-0-	56.00	-0-	38,095.00
Granville	33,041.77	14,053.20	4,455.00	109,151.04	-0-	4,992.00	215.00	165,908.01
Greene	17,653.00	13,530.00	1,072.32	60,916.89	-0-	-0-	-0-	93,172.21
Guilford	454,867.59	65,401.00	18,110.06	1,191,093.16	-0-	194,581.76	-0-	1,924,053.57
Halifax	59,708.39	45,577.00	7,698.44	257,534.89	5,048.00	12,447.00	65.00	388,078.72
Harnett	48,878.55	35,867.54	19,360.00	223,078.28	10,750.45	5,206.00	218.00	343,358.82
Haywood	49,494.37	28,075.50	6,587.00	244,147.14	1,680.00	2,033.00	110.00	332,127.01
Henderson	57,753.00	29,773.97	16,000.33	302,333.84	-0-	4,685.00	-0-	410,546.14
Hertford	27,009.00	17,612.25	3,047.00	73,465.36	-0-	1,524.00	-0-	122,657.61
Hoke	25,313.00	16,450.00	6,002.56	124,707.13	-0-	1,812.00	-0-	174,284.69
Hyde	6,580.00	5,236.00	1,430.00	31,840.67	-0-	-0-	-0-	45,086.67
Iredell	70,431.00	39,315.00	874.00	341,757.73	15,619.00	12,219.00	425.00	480,640.73
Jackson	18,629.00	12,686.00	4,245.00	82,609.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	118,169.00

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*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and municipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Johnston	59,814.14	44,406.83	20,889.94	302,435.63	16,294.00	11,053.00	80.00	454,973.54
Jones	11,036.00	6,822.00	300.00	26,626.00	-0-	676.00	-0-	45,460.00
Lee	47,435.00	25,476.00	12,723.00	171,178.50	-0-	9,567.00	-0-	266,379.50
Lenoir	66,093.00	27,402.33	7,987.73	262,725.15	-0-	9,938.00	-0-	374,146.21
Lincoln	43,336.05	30,108.00	1,067.00	142,031.31	-0-	3,364.00	-0-	219,906.36
Macon	22,080.00	16,230.78	2,234.00	113,676.00	-0-	456.00	-0-	154,676.78
Madison	11,306.00	8,816.00	10.00	37,711.25	-0-	268.00	-0-	58,111.25
Martin	32,209.00	23,187.00	9,311.00	107,929.60	-0-	2,299.00	-0-	174,935.60
McDowell	35,942.00	22,402.00	1,070.00	129,957.40	-0-	2,978.00	-0-	192,349.40
Mecklenburg	578,933.91	76,278.95	108.00	1,335,203.62	-0-	334,642.56	-0-	2,325,167.04
Mitchell	8,725.00	6,030.00	520.00	29,772.97	-0-	462.00	-0-	45,509.97
Montgomery	32,097.00	26,869.39	4,042.00	84,491.44	-0-	1,308.00	-0-	148,807.83
Moore	56,553.00	38,622.80	2,209.00	215,953.09	4,590.00	8,514.00	5.00	326,446.89
Nash	65,502.06	58,450.66	8,429.25	423,847.53	45,983.00	20,803.00	785.00	623,800.50
New Hanover	157,513.52	42,885.60	6,018.91	469,663.79	-0-	43,986.00	-0-	720,067.82
Northampton	24,768.00	21,509.35	1,920.00	78,043.88	420.00	1,420.00	-0-	128,081.23
Onslow	138,192.49	63,314.00	23,102.12	390,662.94	-0-	52,744.00	-0-	668,015.55
Orange	45,586.17	33,208.41	5,169.00	239,602.86	28,738.80	20,224.56	354.00	372,883.80
Pamlico	3,769.00	3,041.00	60.00	17,509.71	-0-	-0-	-0-	24,379.71
Pasquotank	27,950.00	12,868.00	5,007.00	118,133.70	-0-	7,772.00	-0-	171,730.70
Pender	24,924.00	17,080.00	4,262.00	115,293.88	-0-	1,384.00	-0-	162,943.88
Perquimans	11,532.00	7,659.00	870.00	30,599.00	-0-	1,260.00	-0-	51,920.00
Person	30,283.00	23,310.00	2,481.50	121,915.16	280.00	2,683.00	-0-	180,952.66
Pitt	125,726.13	41,453.30	15,208.02	426,756.65	9,257.00	43,418.85	480.00	661,299.95
Polk	13,640.00	10,615.00	1,845.00	88,048.09	-0-	548.00	-0-	114,696.09
Randolph	74,676.00	61,540.71	8,765.00	268,520.57	2,185.00	11,215.00	-0-	426,902.28
Richmond	44,485.00	25,541.00	5,005.00	160,272.18	-0-	3,172.00	-0-	238,475.18
Robeson	112,971.05	81,587.43	10,649.08	579,078.84	33,203.00	24,976.05	135.00	842,600.45
Rockingham	64,873.50	39,356.00	8,079.00	580,599.87	20,583.00	18,644.90	-0-	732,136.27
Rowan	97,574.28	57,229.34	23,066.44	347,260.85	-0-	26,362.00	-0-	551,492.91
Rutherford	50,504.00	29,189.00	7,755.73	201,712.23	-0-	9,194.00	-0-	298,354.96
Sampson	56,149.00	40,137.71	6,313.00	200,240.41	-0-	3,958.00	-0-	306,798.12
Scotland	40,086.00	26,444.00	5,540.00	132,157.37	-0-	5,576.00	-0-	209,803.37
Stanly	40,939.11	12,436.00	2,493.76	162,630.83	-0-	6,286.00	-0-	224,785.70
Stokes	25,345.82	14,852.00	4,069.00	94,728.50	-0-	528.00	-0-	139,523.32
Surry	60,608.55	47,973.78	2,506.00	168,535.77	2,020.00	8,579.00	15.00	290,238.10
Swain	11,967.00	8,578.00	1,576.00	52,246.00	-0-	264.00	-0-	74,631.00
Transylvania	21,675.00	16,682.82	4,222.00	61,267.00	-0-	3,309.00	-0-	107,155.82
Tyrrell	6,759.00	5,064.00	2,016.00	20,450.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	34,289.00
Union	66,281.00	48,688.00	10,149.77	250,147.33	-0-	12,695.00	-0-	387,961.10
Vance	43,728.00	16,907.00	6,745.00	132,566.88	-0-	5,232.00	-0-	205,178.88
Wake	476,784.47	70,311.96	24,690.00	1,032,757.64	7,337.00	167,456.35	21.75	1,779,359.17
Warren	15,354.00	12,952.00	2,198.64	59,345.05	-0-	136.00	-0-	89,985.69
Washington	15,309.03	17,131.74	4,416.00	35,067.44	-0-	1,030.00	-0-	72,954.21
Watauga	30,743.00	20,436.00	3,287.00	111,979.33	-0-	3,414.00	-0-	169,859.33
Wayne	90,518.50	50,903.50	4,997.00	278,899.50	2,405.00	21,554.05	24.00	449,301.55
Wilkes	57,501.95	33,833.00	4,988.00	240,243.13	-0-	1,020.00	-0-	337,586.08
Wilson	66,136.00	42,467.14	5,029.00	149,443.99	-0-	15,662.11	-0-	278,738.24
Yadkin	24,623.00	17,671.00	4,801.00	124,556.14	-0-	1,184.00	-0-	172,835.14
Yancey	11,165.00	8,385.00	651.00	36,339.00	-0-	428.00	-0-	56,968.00
State Totals	**6,622,958.07**	**3,033,367.97**	**655,842.16**	**22,739,184.69**	**341,262.75**	**1,748,435.45**	**5,467.75**	**35,146,518.84**

*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and municipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

The State provides legal counsel for indigent persons in a variety of actions and proceedings, as specified in the North Carolina General Statutes, Sections 7A-450 *et seq.* These include criminal proceedings, judicial hospitalization proceedings, juvenile proceedings which may result in commitment to an institution or transfer to superior court for trial as an adult. Legal representation for indigents may be by assignment of private counsel, by assignment of special public counsel (involving mental hospital commitments), or by assignment of a public defender.

Seven of North Carolina's judicial districts have an office of public defender: Districts 3, 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The other 27 districts utilize only assignments of private counsel. Private counsel may also be assigned in the seven districts which have a public defender in the event of a conflict of interest involving the public defender's office and the indigent and in the event of unusual circumstances when, in the opinion of the court, the proper administration of justice requires the assignment of private counsel rather than the public defender in those cases.

During 1985-86, the Criminal Law Clinic of the School of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provided counsel services to indigents in 188 cases (no felonies), assigned by the courts in Orange County to the Clinic. These counsel services for indigents were provided by the Clinic at no cost to the Judicial Department.

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to October 1, 1981, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) Pursuant to assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals. The Appellate Defender is under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender. The case and cost data reported below reflect the activity of this office in both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1986.

In addition, the State provides a full-time special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings before a district court judge. Under North Carolina law, each patient committed to a mental hospital is entitled to a judicial hearing (before a district court judge) within 90 days after the initial commitment, a further hearing within 180 days after the initial commitment, and thereafter a hearing once a year during the continuance of an involuntary commitment.

A juvenile alleged to be within the jurisdiction of the court has the right to be represented by counsel in all proceedings; and juveniles are conclusively presumed to be indigent and entitled to State-appointed and State-paid counsel (G.S. 7A-584). When a petition alleges that a juvenile is abused or neglected, the judge is required to appoint a guardian *ad litem.* If the guardian *ad litem* is not an attorney, the judge [illegible] addition is to appoint an attorney to represent the juvenile's interests (G.S. 7A-586). And where a juvenile petition alleges that a juvenile is abused, neglected or dependent, the parent has a right to appointed counsel in cases of indigency (G.S. 7A-587).

The cost of all programs of indigent representation, rounded to the nearest dollar, was $16,480,870 in the 1985-86 fiscal year, compared to $14,639,125 in the 1984-85 fiscal year, an increase of 12.6%. The total amount expended for these activities was 12.1% of total Judicial Department expenditures in the 1985-86 fiscal year.

Following is a summary of case and cost data for representation of indigents for the fiscal year, July 1, 1985 through June 30, 1986.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

Assigned Private Counsel	**Number of Cases*** **	**Total Cost**	**Average Per Case**
Capital offense cases	361	1,115,987	3,091
Adult cases (other than capital)	42,179	9,098,002	216
Juvenile cases	6,374	740,537	116
Totals	**48,914**	**10,954,526**	**217**
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles	**2,473**	**316,658**	**128**
Guardian *ad litem* volunteer and contract program		**772,989**	
Public Defender Offices			
*District 3	1,569	283,066	180
District 12	2,914	608,884	209
District 15B	631	170,111	270
District 18	3,069	710,803	232
District 26	8,828	836,201	95
District 27A	2,001	368,002	184
District 28	1,958	305,902	156
Totals	**20,970**	**3,282,969**	**157**
****Criminal Law Clinic, UNC**			
Appellate Defender Office		**410,998**	**1,995**
Special Counsel at mental hospitals		**211,684**	
Transcripts, records and briefs		**435,643**	
Professional examinations		**34,368**	
Expert witness fees		**61,035**	
GRAND TOTAL		**$16,480,870**	

*The Public Defender's Office serves only Pitt and Carteret Counties in Judicial District 3

**During 1985-86, the Criminal Law Clinic of the School of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provided counsel services to indigents in 188 cases (no felonies), assigned by the courts in Orange County to the Clinic. These counsel services for indigents were provided by the Clinic at no cost to the Judicial Department

***The number of "cases" shown is the number of **defendants** in cases disposed of by public defenders during the 1985-86 year

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Special Counsel at Mental Hospitals
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

The total cost of providing special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings, was $211,684 for the 1985-86 fiscal year. There were a total of 10,162 hearings held during the year, for an average cost per hearing of $20.83 for the special counsel service.

The following table represents data on the hearings held at each of the mental hospitals in 1985-86. There were 27 more hearings held in 1985-86 than in 1984-85, an increase of 0.3% in total hearings.

	Broughton	Cherry	Dorothea Dix	John Umstead	Totals
Initial Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	811	1,303	688	1,256	4,058
Commitment to outpatient clinic	270	202	101	177	750
Discharge	703	510	478	635	2,326
Total	**1,784**	**2,015**	**1,267**	**2,068**	**7,134**
First Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	170	298	175	311	954
Commitment to outpatient clinic	32	36	19	22	109
Discharge	38	113	33	103	287
Total	**240**	**447**	**227**	**436**	**1,350**
Second or Subsequent Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	273	320	276	529	1,398
Commitment to outpatient clinic	6	0	11	2	19
Discharge	18	8	23	60	109
Total	**297**	**328**	**310**	**591**	**1,526**
Modification of Prior Order Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	2	68	5	1	76
Commitment to outpatient clinic	7	25	28	2	62
Discharge	3	7	2	2	14
Total	**12**	**100**	**35**	**5**	**152**
Total Hearings or Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	1,256	1,989	1,144	2,097	6,486
Commitment to outpatient clinic	315	263	159	203	940
Discharge	762	638	536	800	2,736
Grand Totals	**2,333**	**2,890**	**1,839**	**3,100**	**10,162**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 1				
Camben	20	3,597	9	859
Chowan	79	11,790	0	0
Currituck	87	17,758	22	2,859
Dare	102	27,248	10	995
Gates	40	11,200	0	0
Pasquotank	321	68,125	44	3,411
Perquimans	51	11,677	6	380
District Totals	**700**	**151,395**	**91**	**8,504**
District 2				
Beaufort	346	73,977	38	2,020
Hyde	46	13,821	7	530
Martin	207	46,487	25	1,620
Tyrrell	29	5,189	0	0
Washington	116	19,370	13	650
District Totals	**744**	**158,844**	**83**	**4,820**
District 3				
Carteret	74	21,345	29	3,390
Craven	757	165,916	15	2,950
Pamlico	66	19,841	2	900
Pitt	339	109,818	32	10,219
District Totals	**1,236**	**316,920**	**78**	**17,459**
District 4				
Duplin	279	103,432	37	3,950
Jones	56	15,787	0	0
Onslow	946	213,712	140	13,650
Sampson	270	64,550	25	3,674
District Totals	**1,551**	**397,481**	**202**	**21,274**
District 5				
New Hanover	1,039	368,592	4	560
Pender	95	26,885	1	35
District Totals	**1,134**	**395,477**	**5**	**595**
District 6				
Bertie	156	48,821	13	950
Halifax	574	149,268	38	3,875
Hertford	235	54,767	26	2,313
Northampton	167	49,798	18	1,575
District Totals	**1,132**	**302,654**	**95**	**8,713**
District 7				
Edgecombe	666	153,559	25	3,650
Nash	553	141,568	16	2,562
Wilson	737	201,838	21	2,510
District Totals	**1,956**	**496,965**	**62**	**8,722**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	**Expenditures**	**Number of Cases**	**Expenditures**
District 8				
Greene	84	13,489	2	250
Lenoir	716	120,418	1	475
Wayne	1,101	247,702	2	340
District Totals	**1,901**	**381,609**	**5**	**1,065**
District 9				
Franklin	305	56,233	11	1,975
Granville	412	71,493	8	1,488
Person	344	76,511	25	2,860
Vance	543	125,843	5	1,725
Warren	137	34,882	5	775
District Totals	**1,741**	**364,962**	**54**	**8,823**
District 10				
Wake	3,327	841,495	22	4,224
District Totals	**3,327**	**841,495**	**22**	**4,224**
District 11				
Harnett	396	58,000	6	365
Johnston	885	100,110	7	725
Lee	444	64,723	12	1,570
District Totals	**1,725**	**222,833**	**25**	**2,660**
District 12				
Cumberland	216	59,323	39	2,937
Hoke	12	2,184	3	290
District Totals	**228**	**61,507**	**42**	**3,227**
District 13				
Bladen	340	75,725	10	2,945
Brunswick	384	84,041	40	5,544
Columbus	630	139,621	56	8,883
District Totals	**1,354**	**299,387**	**106**	**17,372**
District 14				
Durham	2,639	572,045	37	6,093
District Totals	**2,639**	**572,045**	**37**	**6,093**
District 15A				
Alamance	961	210,293	5	250
District Totals	**961**	**210,293**	**5**	**250**
District 15B				
Chatham	67	13,498	35	2,685
Orange	287	54,158	35	4,000
District Totals	**354**	**67,656**	**70**	**6,685**
District 16				
Robeson	1,559	320,334	134	8,293
Scotland	662	125,981	57	5,767
District Totals	**2,221**	**446,315**	**191**	**14,060**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 17A				
Caswell	146	32,303	13	975
Rockingham	868	173,090	9	735
District Totals	**1,014**	**205,393**	**22**	**1,710**
District 17B				
Stokes	180	30,908	10	1,100
Surry	639	162,231	35	3,400
District Totals	**819**	**193,139**	**45**	**4,500**
District 18				
Guilford	475	125,024	70	9,361
District Totals	**475**	**125,024**	**70**	**9,361**
District 19A				
Cabarrus	741	166,852	47	8,125
Rowan	1,220	200,931	113	15,013
District Totals	**1,961**	**367,783**	**160**	**23,138**
District 19B				
Montgomery	247	47,925	11	1,255
Randolph	633	143,691	61	5,140
District Totals	**880**	**191,616**	**72**	**6,395**
District 20				
Anson	337	84,063	3	1,300
Moore	596	102,300	38	4,525
Richmond	775	112,951	18	1,775
Stanly	357	90,708	24	2,700
Union	911	155,256	56	6,850
District Totals	**2,976**	**545,278**	**139**	**17,150**
District 21				
Forsyth	3,570	552,322	107	14,561
District Totals	**3,570**	**552,322**	**107**	**14,561**
District 22				
Alexander	196	50,824	5	800
Davidson	1,003	252,464	77	11,790
Davie	160	42,517	15	2,375
Iredell	876	201,630	11	1,675
District Totals	**2,235**	**547,435**	**108**	**16,640**
District 23				
Alleghany	51	10,666	10	863
Ashe	117	16,765	13	1,700
Wilkes	600	85,413	81	8,430
Yadkin	208	37,819	8	1,025
District Totals	**976**	**150,663**	**112**	**12,018**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	**Expenditures**	**Number of Cases**	**Expenditures**
District 24				
Avery	176	51,629	13	4,331
Madison	94	30,224	9	4,060
Mitchell	78	24,802	9	1,210
Watauga	222	62,658	8	2,900
Yancey	56	15,037	12	4,727
District Totals	**626**	**184,350**	**51**	**17,228**
District 25				
Burke	575	139,488	5	900
Caldwell	630	131,670	13	5,509
Catawba	1,222	270,623	16	2,063
District Totals	**2,427**	**541,781**	**34**	**8,472**
District 26				
Mecklenburg	2,303	623,392	87	18,257
District Totals	**2,303**	**623,392**	**87**	**18,257**
District 27A				
Gaston	172	83,236	27	3,450
District Totals	**172**	**83,236**	**27**	**3,450**
District 27B				
Cleveland	556	125,158	46	4,528
Lincoln	255	84,029	6	625
District Totals	**811**	**209,187**	**52**	**5,153**
District 28				
Buncombe	332	84,964	31	2,779
District Totals	**332**	**84,964**	**31**	**2,779**
District 29				
Henderson	514	134,399	15	2,375
McDowell	287	100,931	7	2,525
Polk	73	16,735	5	875
Rutherford	418	106,014	3	1,225
Transylvania	133	48,106	0	0
District Totals	**1,425**	**405,825**	**30**	**7,000**
District 30				
Cherokee	119	47,027	25	2,862
Clay	29	16,237	15	2,182
Graham	66	13,347	7	583
Haywood	337	119,393	65	5,041
Jackson	118	19,440	14	826
Macon	247	23,760	12	1,410
Swain	92	16,096	15	1,397
District Totals	**1,008**	**255,300**	**153**	**14,301**
STATE TOTALS	**48,914**	**10,954,526**	**2,473**	**316,658**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

(Positions and salaries authorized as of June 30, 1986)

Positions Authorized		Salary Ranges
	SUPREME COURT	
7	Justices	$69,144-70,608*
28	Staff personnel (Clerk's and Reporter's offices, law clerks, library staff	11,748-48,972
7	Secretarial personnel	18,852-21,696
	COURT OF APPEALS	
12	Judges	65,472-66,936*
39	Staff personnel (Clerk's office, prehearing staff, Judicial Standards Commission staff, law clerks)	11,748-46,680
12	Secretarial personnel	18,036-20,700
	SUPERIOR COURT	
72	Judges	58,140-60,048*
80	Staff personnel	18,096-36,252
61	Secretarial personnel	11,748-23,700
	DISTRICT COURT	
146	Judges	47,076-48,948*
631	Magistrates	12,764-21,800
29	Staff personnel	12,768-19,800
13	Secretarial personnel	12,252-21,696
	DISTRICT ATTORNEYS	
35	District Attorneys	54,084*
272	Staff personnel	16,572-34,980
85	Secretarial personnel	12,252-21,696
	CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT	
100	Clerks of Superior Court	31,500-46,728*
1,573	Staff personnel	12,252-27,276
	INDIGENT REPRESENTATION	
1	Appellate Defender	54,084
6	Assistant Appellate Defenders	17,664-34,980
3	Secretarial personnel	12,708-18,096
7	Public Defenders	54,084*
66	Staff personnel	15,204-34,980
20	Secretarial personnel	12,252-21,696
4	Special counsel at mental hospitals	20,004-30,500
4	Secretarial personnel	11,748-21,696
1	Guardian ad Litem, Program Administrator	36,252
20	Program Coordinators	9,018-21,696
2	Program Analyst	9,426-10,848
8	Secretarial personnel	2,796-12,708
	JUVENILE PROBATION AND AFTERCARE	
272	Court counselors	1[illegible],292-39,852
45	Secretarial personnel	12,252-18,936
	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS	
1	Administrative Officer of the Courts	60,048
1	Assistant Director	48,948
149	Staff personnel	11,244-58,392

*In addition to the salaries given here, these categories are entitled to a longevity allowance for years of service.

PART IV

TRIAL COURTS CASEFLOW DATA

- Superior Court Division
- District Court Division

TRIAL COURTS CASE DATA

This part of the *Annual Report* presents pertinent data on a district-by-district and county-by-county basis. For ease of reference, this part is divided into a superior court division section and a district court division section.

The data within the two sections generally parallel each other in terms of organization, with each section subdivided into civil and criminal case categories. With some exceptions, there are three basic data tables for each case category: a caseload inventory (filings, dispositions and pending) table; a table on the manner of dispositions; and a table on ages of cases disposed of during the year and ages of cases pending at the end of the year. Pending and age data are not provided for district court motor vehicle criminal cases, for civil cases (small claims) referred to magistrates, and for juvenile cases, inasmuch as these categories of cases are not reported by case file number.

The caseload inventory tables provide a statistical picture of caseflow during the 1985-86 year. Items recorded in this table include the number of cases pending at the beginning of the year, the number of new cases filed, the number of cases disposed of during the year, and the number of cases left pending at the end of the year. The caseload inventory shows the total caseload (the number pending at the beginning of the year plus the number filed during the year) and the percentage of the caseload which was disposed of during the year.

The aging tables show the ages of the cases pending on June 30, 1986 as well as the ages of the cases disposed of during 1985-86. These tables also show both mean (average) and median ages for each set of cases—those pending at the end of the year and those that were disposed of during the year. The median age of a group of cases is, by definition, the age of a hypothetical case which is older than 50% of the total set of cases and younger than the other 50%.

Unlike the median, the mean age can be substantially raised (or lowered) if even a small number of very old (or very young) cases are included. For example, if only a single two-year old case was included among ten cases aged three months, the median age would be 90 days and the mean (average) age would be 148.2 days. A substantial difference between the median and average ages, therefore, indicates the presence of a number of rather long-pending, or short-pending, cases.

The case statistics in Part IV have been calculated from filing and disposition case data submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) by the 100 clerks of superior court across the State. The present case reporting system is primarily a manual one: weekly reports from each clerk's office are mailed to Raleigh, where they are computer-coded, entered and processed. Pending case information is computer-calculated from the filing and disposition data. The accuracy of the pending case figures is, of course, dependent upon timely and accurate filing and disposition data.

Periodic comparisons by clerk personnel of their actual pending case files against AOC's computer-produced pending case lists, followed by indicated corrections, is necessary to maintain completely accurate data in the AOC computer file. Yet, staff resource in the clerks' offices is not sufficient to make such physical inventory checks as frequently and as completely as would be necessary to maintain full accuracy in AOC's computer files. Thus, it is recognized that some of the figures published in the following tables have errors of some degree.

Another accuracy-related problem inherent in a manual reporting system is the lack of absolute consistency in the published year-end and year-beginning pending figures. The number of cases pending at the end of a reporting year should ideally be identical with the number of published pending cases at the *beginning* of the next reporting year. In reality, this is rarely the case. Experience has shown that inevitably some filings and dispositions which occurred in the preceding year do not get reported until the subsequent year. The later-reported data is regarded as being more complete reporting and is used, thereby producing some differences between the prior year's end-pending figures and the current year's beginning-pending figures.

Notwithstanding the indicated limitations in the data reporting and data-processing system, it is believed that the published figures are sufficiently adequate to fully justify their use. In any event, the published figures are the best and most accurate data currently available.

PART IV, Section 1

Superior Court Division

Caseflow Data

The Superior Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseflow during the 1985-86 year of cases pending, filed, and disposed of in the State's superior courts; that is, cases before superior court judges. Data is also presented on cases pending, filed and disposed of before the 100 clerks of superior court, who have original jurisdiction over estate cases and special proceedings.

There are, for statistical reporting purposes, three categories of cases filed in the superior courts: civil cases, felony cases which are within the original jurisdiction of the superior courts, and misdemeanor appeals from the district courts to superior courts, for trial *de novo*.

During 1985-86, as in previous years, the greatest proportion of superior court filings were felonies (49.2%), followed by misdemeanor appeals (34.2%) and civil cases (16.6%). The general trend over the past decade has been for increases in the total number of case filings. During 1985-86, total case filings in superior courts increased by 6.7% from the preceding fiscal year (from 85,569 total cases to 91,336). Filings of civil cases increased by 11.0%, felony filings increased by 9.9%, and misdemeanor appeal filings increased by 0.6%.

As in previous years, superior court civil cases generally take much longer to dispose of than do criminal cases. During 1985-86, the median age at disposition of civil cases was 289 days, compared to a median age at disposition of 86 days for felonies and 67 days for misdemeanors. A similar pattern exists for the ages of pending cases. The median ages of superior court cases pending at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1986, was 224 days for civil cases, 83 days for felonies, and 74 days for misdemeanors.

These differences in the median ages of civil versus criminal cases in superior courts can be attributed in part to the priority given criminal cases. In criminal cases, a defendant has a right to a "speedy trial" guaranteed by both the United States and North Carolina Constitutions and by the North Carolina Speedy Trial Act (G.S. 15A-701 *et seq.*). The Speedy Trial Act requires cases to go to trial within 120 days of filing unless there has been justifiable delay for one or more of the reasons set out in the statute. During 1985-86, 54 criminal cases were dismissed under the Speedy Trial Act, a decrease of 23.9% as compared to the 71 cases which were dismissed under the Act during 1984-85.

There is no comparable *statutory* standard for speedy disposition of civil cases in North Carolina, although the North Carolina Constitution does provide that "right and justice shall be administered without favor, denial, or delay" (Article I, Section 18, N.C. Constitution).

Comparing 1985-86 median-age data with the same information from 1984-85, it is seen that the median ages at disposition have decreased for civil cases but have remained relatively the same for criminal cases. From 1984-85 to 1985-86, the median ages at disposition decreased for civil cases, from 314 to 289 days; increased slightly for felonies, from 84 to 86 days; and remained the same for misdemeanors, 67 days. As to the ages of cases pending on June 30, 1986, compared to the ages of cases pending on June 30, 1985, it is seen that the median ages of pending cases have decreased for civil cases and felonies, but increased slightly for misdemeanors. The median age of civil cases pending in the superior courts on June 30, 1986 was 224 days, compared to 236 days on June 30, 1985; for felonies, 83 days on June 30, 1986, compared to 88 days on June 30, 1985; and for misdemeanors, 74 days on June 30, 1986, compared to 72 days on June 30, 1985.

The three major case categories (civil, felonies, and misdemeanors) may be broken down into more specific case types.

Negligence cases comprised 44% of total civil filings in superior courts (6,673 of 15,157 total civil filings). Contract cases comprised the next largest category of civil case filings, 23.1% (3,506 filings).

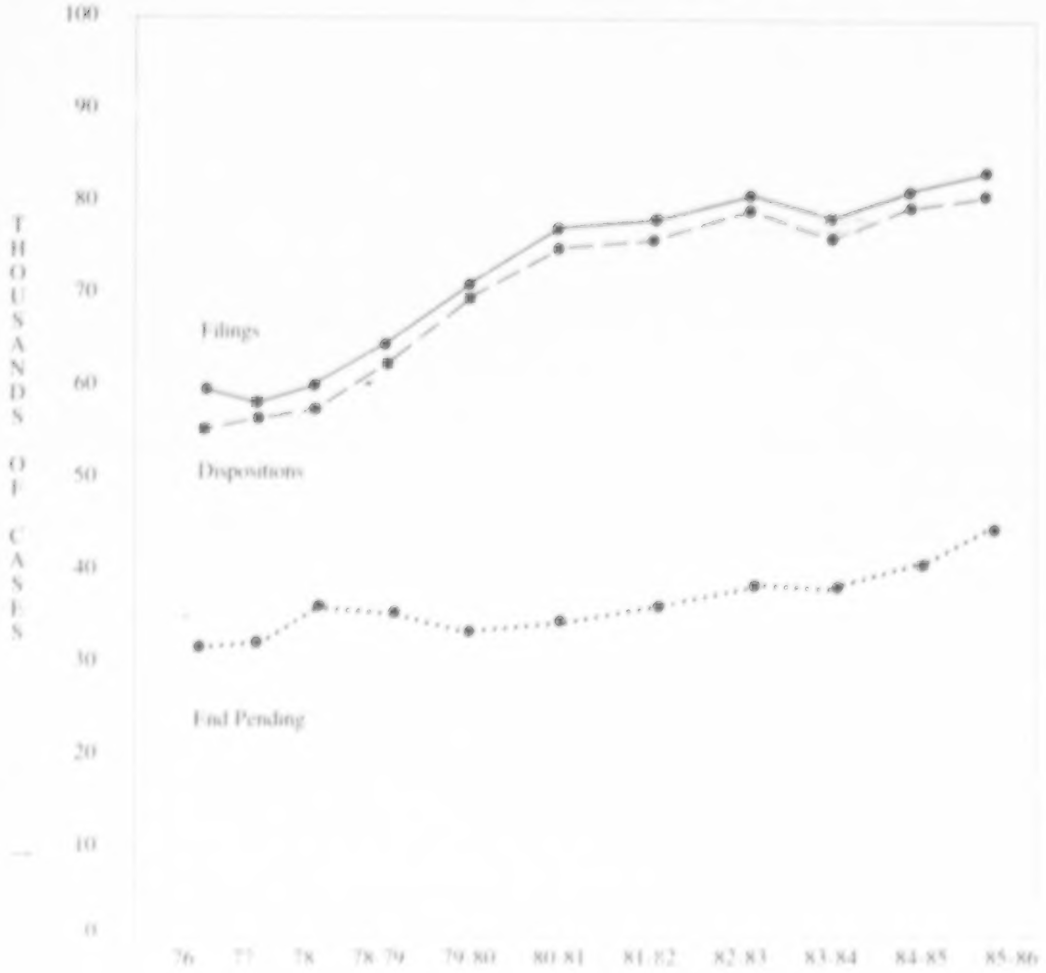
Felony case filings were dominated by burglary, 19.0% (8,538 of 44,980 total filings), controlled substance violations, 17.2% (7,750 filings), larceny, 14.2% (6,386 filings), and forgery and utterings, 13.3% (5,981 filings).

Non-motor vehicle appeals comprised 54.6% of misdemeanor filings in superior courts (17,021 of 31,199 total filings).

Tables which follow present data on the manner of disposition of superior court cases. Jury trials continue to account for a low percentage of case dispositions: 6.7% of civil cases (938 of 14,089 civil dispositions), 4.8% of felonies (2,062 of 43,402 felony dispositions); and 4.1% of misdemeanors (1,244 of 30,598 misdemeanor dispositions). Over half (53.2%) of all civil dispositions were by voluntary dismissal (7,497 of 14,089 civil dispositions). As in previous years, most criminal cases are disposed of by guilty plea: 64.1% of all felony (27,816 of 43,402), and 38.6% of all misdemeanor dispositions (11,791 of 30,598) were by guilty plea, with most of these being to the offense as charged.

CASELOAD TRENDS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

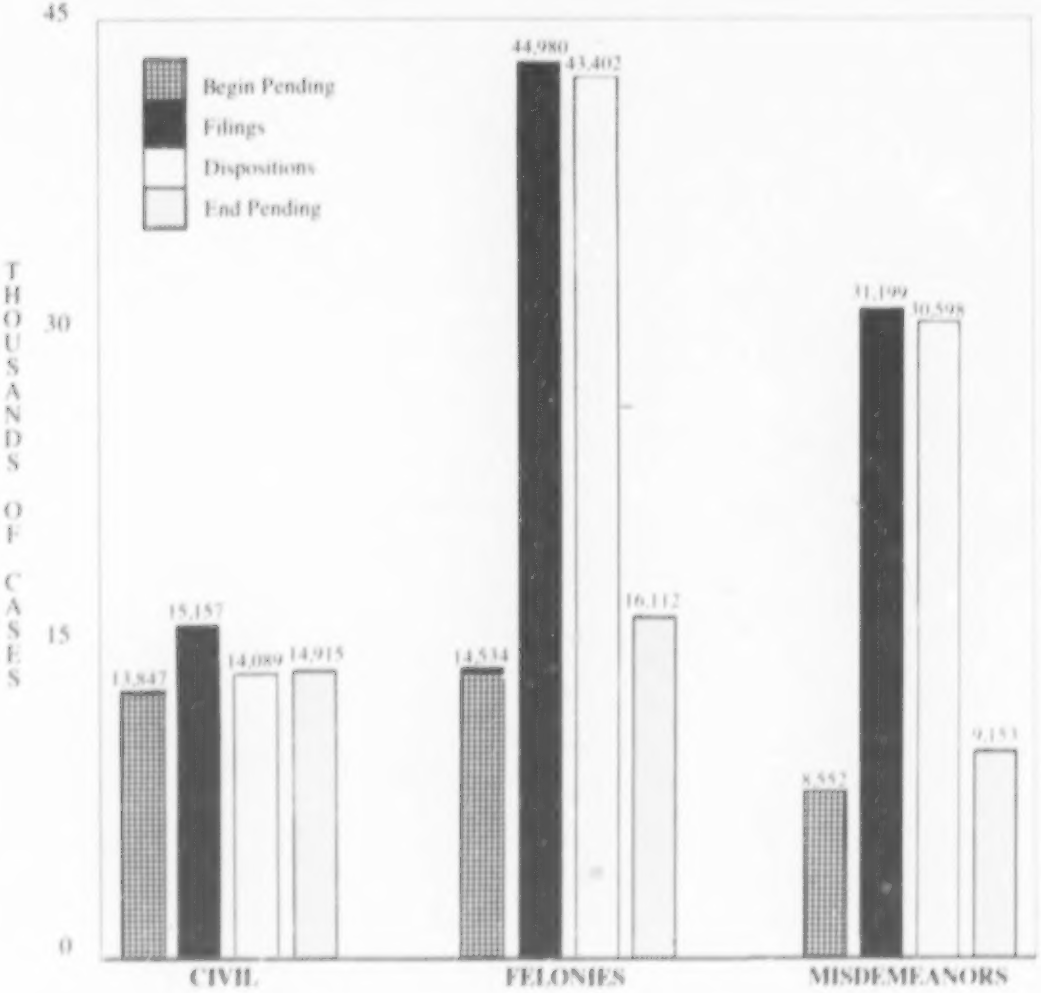
1976 — 1985-86



Following a slower rate of increase in the early 1980s, filings and dispositions in superior court appear to have resumed the earlier pattern of significant annual increases. During 1985-86, filings increased by 6.7% and dispositions increased by 4.5% over the 1984-85 year.

SUPERIOR COURT CASELOAD

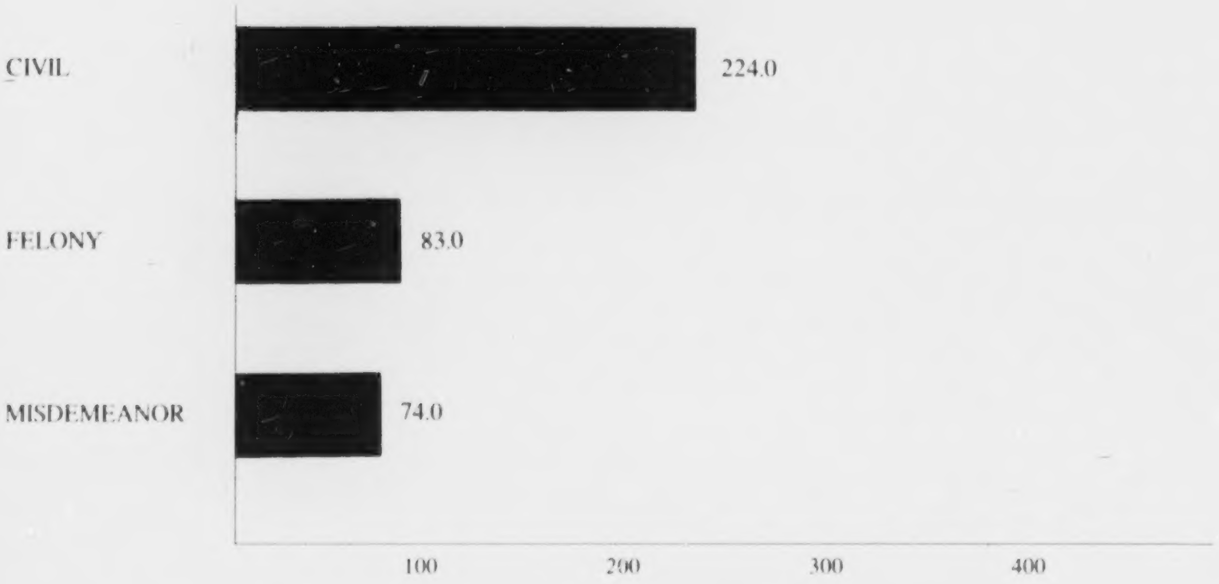
July 1, 1985—June 30, 1986



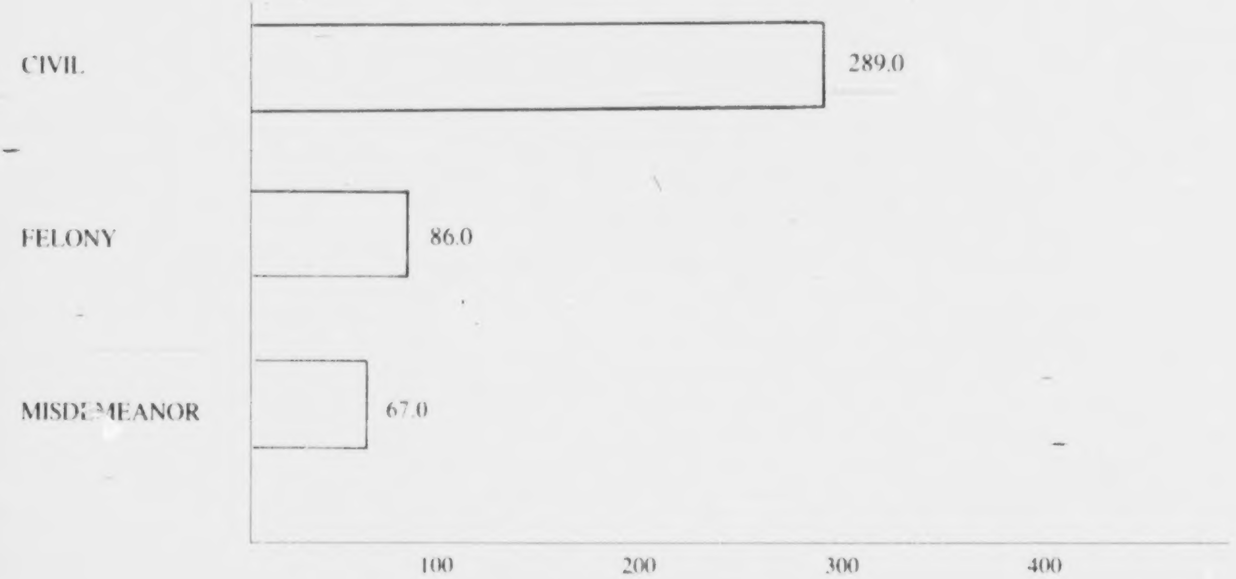
Compared to last year, superior court filings increased in all categories. During fiscal year 1985-86, civil filings increased 11.0%, felonies 9.9%, and misdemeanor appeals 0.6%. Dispositions also increased in each category, but by a lower percentage than did filings, leaving 40,180 cases pending in superior court on June 30, 1986, an 8.2% increase from the number of cases pending on June 30, 1985.

MEDIAN AGES OF SUPERIOR COURT CASES

Median Ages (in days) of Cases Pending June 30, 1986



Median Ages (in days) of Cases Disposed of During 1985-86



The median age is the age with respect to which 50% of all cases in the category are younger and 50% of all cases are older than the median age; it is the 50th percentile of ages of all cases in the category. As shown in the above graphs, the median ages of all civil superior court cases pending and disposed during fiscal year 1985-86 are greater than the median ages of criminal superior court cases pending and disposed. This is due to civil cases taking longer than criminal cases to process.

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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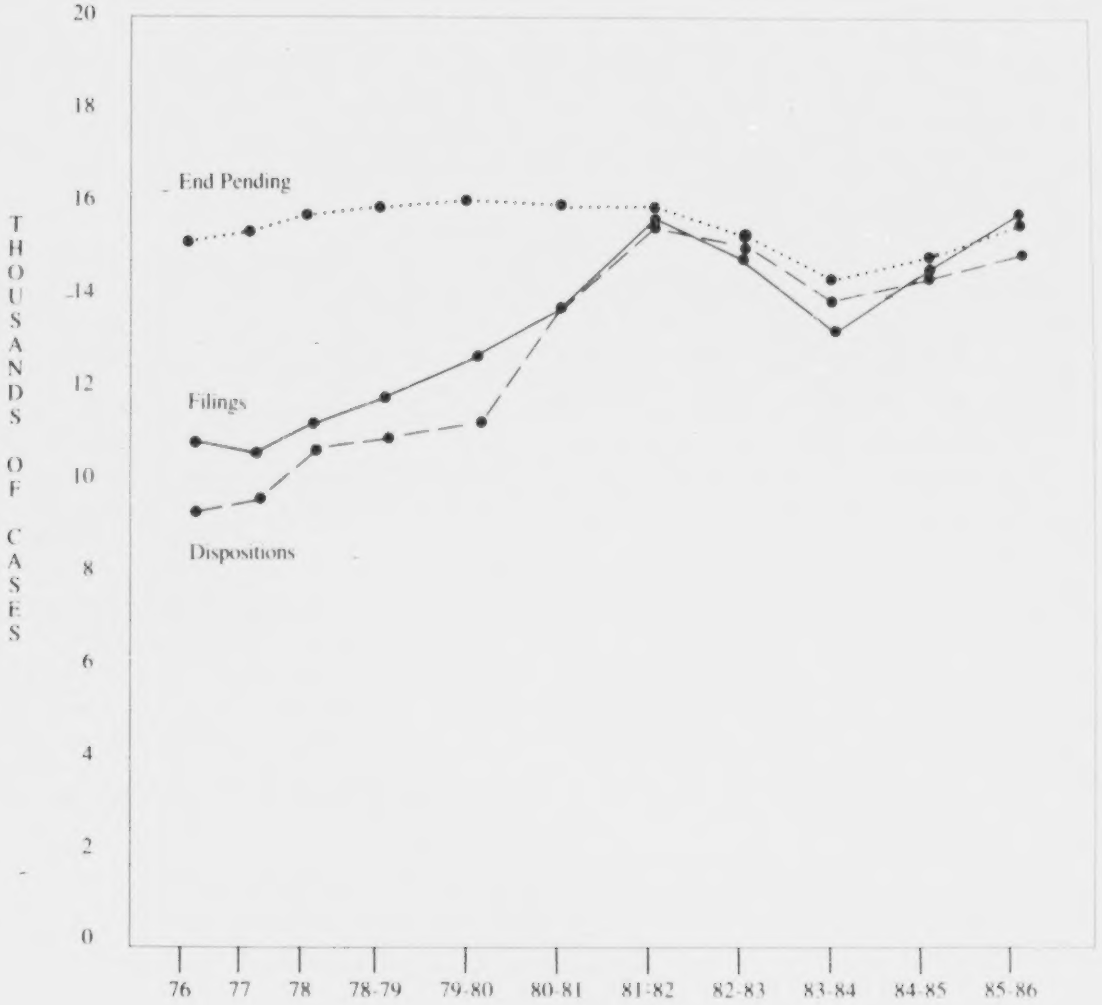
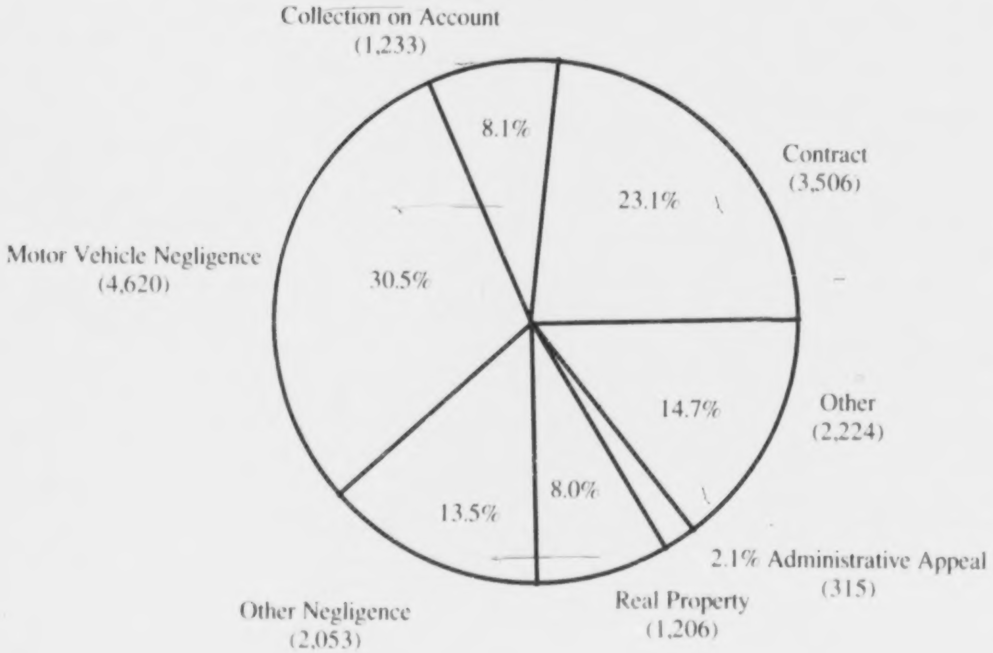


Civil filings in the superior courts grew sharply for the second consecutive year. Dispositions also increased, but not as much, leaving an increased number of cases pending at year end.

FILINGS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS—BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1985—June 30, 1986



Non-motor vehicle negligence case filings declined from 2,152 in 1984-85 to 2,053 in 1985-86. All other categories of civil filings increased significantly. As was the case last year, almost half (44.0%) of the civil cases filed statewide during 1985-86 were negligence cases (6,673 of the 15,157 total filings). The "other" category includes non-negligent torts such as conversion of property, civil fraud, and civil assault.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 – June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 1						
Camden	10	12	22	13	59.1%	9
Chowan	23	34	57	18	31.6%	39
Currituck	48	32	80	47	58.8%	33
Dare	103	104	207	102	49.3%	105
Gates	14	8	22	11	50.0%	11
Pasquotank	61	62	123	58	47.2%	65
Perquimans	16	13	29	12	41.4%	17
District Totals	275	265	540	261	48.3%	279
District 2						
Beaufort	80	79	159	71	44.7%	88
Hyde	16	13	29	16	55.2%	13
Martin	38	37	75	34	45.3%	41
Tyrrell	8	5	13	2	15.4%	11
Washington	32	42	74	31	41.9%	43
District Totals	174	176	350	154	44.0%	196
District 3						
Carteret	138	177	315	137	43.5%	178
Craven	193	216	409	221	54.0%	188
Pamlico	16	12	28	16	57.1%	12
Pitt	264	287	551	282	51.2%	269
District Totals	611	692	1,303	656	50.3%	647
District 4						
Duplin	99	90	189	100	52.9%	89
Jones	17	19	36	8	22.2%	28
Onslow	252	224	476	207	43.5%	269
Sampson	70	130	200	126	63.0%	74
District Totals	438	463	901	441	48.9%	460
District 5						
New Hanover	294	383	677	281	41.5%	396
Pender	38	32	70	31	44.3%	39
District Totals	332	415	747	312	41.8%	435
District 6						
Bertie	24	24	48	23	47.9%	25
Halifax	70	58	128	54	42.2%	74
Hertford	41	47	88	35	39.8%	53
Northampton	28	30	58	24	41.4%	34
District Totals	163	159	322	136	42.2%	186
District 7						
Edgecombe	74	124	198	101	51.0%	97
Nash	134	182	316	145	45.9%	171
Wilson	104	156	260	131	50.4%	129
District Totals	312	462	774	377	48.7%	397
District 8						
Greene	13	35	48	15	31.3%	33
Lenoir	146	206	352	158	44.9%	194
Wayne	214	233	447	226	50.6%	221
District Totals	373	474	847	399	47.1%	448

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 9						
Franklin	58	54	112	54	48.2%	58
Granville	62	39	101	52	51.5%	49
Person	37	44	81	43	53.1%	38
Vance	62	48	110	63	57.3%	47
Warren	29	33	62	26	41.9%	36
District Totals	248	218	466	238	51.1%	228
District 10						
Wake	1,092	1,371	2,463	1148	46.6%	1,315
District 11						
Harnett	101	124	225	119	52.9%	106
Johnston	146	225	371	209	56.3%	162
Lee	56	103	159	78	49.1%	81
District Totals	303	452	755	406	53.8%	349
District 12						
Cumberland	502	469	971	429	44.2%	542
Hoke	12	14	26	10	38.5%	16
District Totals	514	483	997	439	44.0%	558
District 13						
Bladen	49	29	78	48	61.5%	30
Brunswick	92	78	170	76	44.7%	94
Columbus	156	114	270	113	41.9%	157
District Totals	297	221	518	237	45.8%	281
District 14						
Durham	442	565	1,007	447	44.4%	560
District 15A						
Alamance	173	153	326	135	41.4%	191
District 15B						
Chatham	39	61	100	57	57.0%	43
Orange	123	166	289	156	54.0%	133
District Totals	162	227	389	213	54.8%	176
District 16						
Robeson	176	180	356	148	41.6%	208
Scotland	50	50	100	37	37.0%	63
District Totals	226	230	456	185	40.6%	271
District 17A						
Caswell	18	19	37	24	64.9%	13
Rockingham	94	153	247	146	59.1%	101
District Totals	112	172	284	170	59.9%	114
District 17B						
Stokes	13	37	50	29	58.0%	21
Surry	80	103	183	120	65.6%	63
District Totals	93	140	233	149	63.9%	84

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 18						
Guilford	1,279	962	2,241	1271	56.7%	970
District 19A						
Cabarrus	106	157	263	132	50.2%	131
Rowan	113	166	279	146	52.3%	133
District Totals	219	323	542	278	51.3%	264
District 19B						
Montgomery	19	20	39	16	41.0%	23
Randolph	134	111	245	135	55.1%	110
District Totals	153	131	284	151	53.2%	133
District 20						
Anson	56	49	105	47	44.8%	58
Moore	160	95	255	98	38.4%	157
Richmond	64	80	144	51	35.4%	93
Stanly	62	63	125	57	45.6%	68
Union	159	123	282	129	45.7%	153
District Totals	501	410	911	382	41.9%	529
District 21						
Forsyth	461	641	1,102	623	56.5%	479
District 22						
Alexander	29	34	63	35	55.6%	28
Davidson	163	146	309	178	57.6%	131
Davie	28	36	64	29	45.3%	35
Iredell	124	202	326	172	52.8%	154
District Totals	344	418	762	414	54.3%	348
District 23						
Alleghany	12	10	22	15	68.2%	7
Ashe	22	16	38	23	60.5%	15
Wilkes	121	151	272	124	45.6%	148
Yadkin	24	43	67	33	49.3%	34
District Totals	179	220	399	195	48.9%	204
District 24						
Avery	32	67	99	51	51.5%	48
Madison	74	34	108	19	17.6%	89
Mitchell	29	36	65	33	50.8%	32
Watauga	61	70	131	74	56.5%	57
Yancey	10	22	32	16	50.0%	16
District Totals	206	229	435	193	44.4%	242
District 25						
Burke	129	198	327	162	49.5%	165
Caldwell	124	169	293	125	42.7%	168
Catawba	214	278	492	241	49.0%	251
District Totals	467	645	1,112	528	47.5%	584
District 26						
Mecklenburg	2,003	2,049	4,052	1803	44.5%	2,249

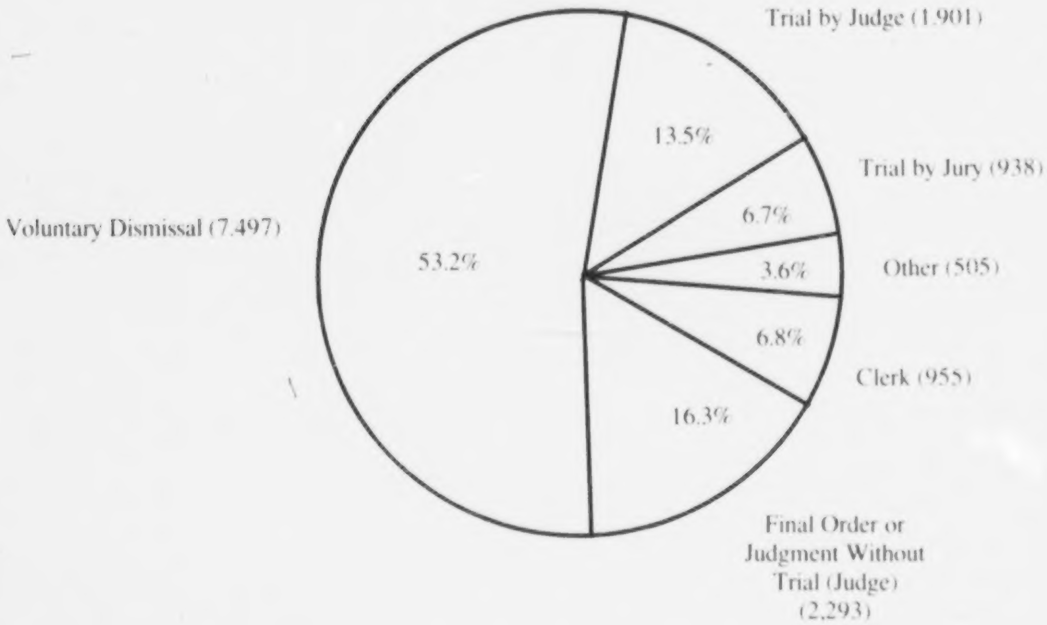
CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 27A						
Gaston	349	507	856	501	58.5%	355
District 27B						
Cleveland	131	153	284	147	51.8%	137
Lincoln	47	62	109	59	54.1%	50
District Totals	178	215	393	206	52.4%	187
District 28						
Buncombe	365	468	833	431	51.7%	402
District 29						
Henderson	159	124	283	127	44.9%	156
McDowell	67	50	117	53	45.3%	64
Polk	19	19	38	14	36.8%	24
Rutherford	117	58	175	81	46.3%	94
Transylvania	61	54	115	42	36.5%	73
District Totals	423	305	728	317	43.5%	411
District 30						
Cherokee	35	29	64	25	39.1%	39
Clay	10	8	18	8	44.4%	10
Graham	24	18	42	15	35.7%	27
Haywood	126	110	236	94	39.8%	142
Jackson	66	53	119	61	51.3%	58
Macon	88	61	149	70	47.0%	79
Swain	31	17	48	20	41.7%	28
District Totals	380	296	676	293	43.3%	383
State Totals	13,847	15,157	29,004	14,089	48.6%	14,915

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985—June 30, 1986



As in previous years, voluntary dismissals account for the largest number of civil case dispositions in superior courts. The next most prominent category, pretrial orders and judgments by the judge, includes summary and consent judgments, and orders changing venue. The "other" category includes miscellaneous dispositions such as discontinuance for lack of service of process under Civil Rule 4(e), dismissal on motion of the court, and removal to federal court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 1							
Camden	0	1	4	2	5	1	13
Chowan	0	3	4	6	1	4	18
Currituck	1	3	17	9	3	14	47
Dare	5	5	48	29	11	4	102
Gates	0	1	7	1	2	0	11
Pasquotank	1	5	33	9	5	5	58
Perquimans	0	3	7	1	0	1	12
District Totals	7	21	120	57	27	29	261
% of Total	2.7%	8.0%	46.0%	21.8%	10.3%	11.1%	100.0%
District 2							
Beaufort	9	11	35	13	3	0	71
Hyde	0	0	8	4	1	3	16
Martin	3	0	6	21	2	2	34
Tyrrell	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Washington	0	2	17	11	1	0	31
						0	0
District Totals	12	13	68	49	7	5	154
% of Total	7.8%	8.4%	44.2%	31.8%	4.5%	3.2%	100.0%
District 3							
Carteret	11	22	69	15	9	11	137
Craven	5	12	127	40	19	18	221
Pamlico	2	1	7	0	0	6	16
Pitt	22	49	132	64	11	4	282
District Totals	40	84	335	119	39	39	656
% of Total	6.1%	12.8%	51.1%	18.1%	5.9%	5.9%	100.0%
District 4							
Duplin	8	8	53	16	8	7	100
Jones	0	0	6	0	1	1	8
Onslow	9	7	112	53	24	2	207
Sampson	4	30	43	6	41	2	126
District Totals	21	45	214	75	74	12	441
% of Total	4.8%	10.2%	48.5%	17.0%	16.8%	2.7%	100.0%
District 5							
New Hanover	26	40	158	43	14	0	281
Pender	0	5	18	5	1	2	31
District Totals	26	45	176	48	15	2	312
% of Total	8.3%	14.4%	56.4%	15.4%	4.8%	0.6%	100.0%
District 6							
Bertie	1	1	11	6	0	4	23
Halifax	2	14	29	4	1	4	54
Hertford	1	0	12	12	7	3	35
Northampton	0	7	11	2	0	4	24
District Totals	4	22	63	24	8	15	136
% of Total	2.9%	16.2%	46.3%	17.6%	5.9%	11.0%	100.0%
District 7							
Edgecombe	7	10	44	31	8	1	101
Nash	7	6	78	42	6	6	145
Wilson	11	24	60	23	5	8	131
District Totals	25	40	182	96	19	15	377
% of Total	6.6%	10.6%	48.3%	25.5%	5.0%	4.0%	100.0%
District 8							
Greene	0	1	6	6	0	2	15
Lenoir	11	2	92	36	17	0	158
Wayne	14	27	129	39	17	0	226
District Totals	25	30	227	81	34	2	399
% of Total	6.3%	7.5%	56.9%	20.3%	8.5%	0.5%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 – June 30, 1986

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	Jury	Judge					
District 9							
Franklin	1	1	28	21	1	2	54
Granville	1	12	30	7	2	0	52
Person	0	12	22	2	4	3	43
Vance	1	14	39	4	3	2	63
Warren	2	2	10	7	2	3	26
District Totals	5	41	129	41	12	10	238
% of Total	2.1%	17.2%	54.2%	17.2%	5.0%	4.2%	100.0%
District 10							
Wake	61	90	598	277	68	54	1148
% of Total	5.3%	7.8%	52.1%	24.1%	5.9%	4.7%	100.0%
District 11							
Harnett	19	15	61	22	2	0	119
Johnston	10	22	83	54	37	3	209
Lee	4	10	50	9	5	0	78
District Totals	33	47	194	85	44	3	406
% of Total	8.1%	11.6%	47.8%	20.9%	10.8%	0.7%	100.0%
District 12							
Cumberland	18	77	247	53	24	10	429
Hoke	5	2	3	0	0	0	10
District Totals	23	79	250	53	24	10	439
% of Total	5.2%	18.0%	56.9%	12.1%	5.5%	2.3%	100.0%
District 13							
Bladen	7	3	32	6	0	0	48
Brunswick	6	16	45	7	2	0	76
Columbus	9	27	66	7	3	1	113
District Totals	22	46	143	20	5	1	237
% of Total	9.3%	19.4%	60.3%	8.4%	2.1%	0.4%	100.0%
District 14							
Durham	41	32	232	77	54	11	447
% of Total	9.2%	7.2%	51.9%	17.2%	12.1%	2.5%	100.0%
District 15A							
Alamance	4	10	87	23	8	3	135
% of Total	3.0%	7.4%	64.4%	17.0%	5.9%	2.2%	100.0%
District 15B							
Chatham	5	7	23	17	3	2	57
Orange	15	15	66	39	7	14	156
District Totals	20	22	89	56	10	16	213
% of Total	9.4%	10.3%	41.8%	26.3%	4.7%	7.5%	100.0%
District 16							
Robeson	4	62	73	0	5	4	148
Scotland	5	6	18	6	1	1	37
District Totals	9	68	91	6	6	5	185
% of Total	4.9%	36.8%	49.2%	3.2%	3.2%	2.7%	100.0%
District 17A							
Caswell	1	0	15	7	1	0	24
Rockingham	7	18	82	20	14	5	146
District Totals	8	18	97	27	15	5	170
% of Total	4.7%	10.6%	57.1%	15.9%	8.8%	2.9%	100.0%
District 17B							
Stokes	0	5	14	4	3	3	29
Surry	6	12	71	20	11	0	120
District Totals	6	17	85	24	14	3	149
% of Total	4.0%	11.4%	57.0%	16.1%	9.4%	2.0%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 18							
Guilford	72	262	695	124	50	68	1271
% of Total	5.7%	20.6%	54.7%	9.8%	3.9%	5.4%	100.0%
District 19A							
Cabarrus	2	20	77	24	5	4	132
Rowan	14	11	84	24	2	11	146
District Totals	16	31	161	48	7	15	278
% of Total	5.8%	11.2%	57.9%	17.3%	2.5%	5.4%	100.0%
District 19B							
Montgomery	2	1	10	1	2	0	16
Randolph	10	26	65	20	10	4	135
District Totals	12	27	75	21	12	4	151
% of Total	7.9%	17.9%	49.7%	13.9%	7.9%	2.6%	100.0%
District 20							
Anson	3	6	20	14	4	0	47
Moore	9	27	39	15	7	1	98
Richmond	2	12	26	3	7	1	51
Stanly	7	11	31	7	0	1	57
Union	14	12	71	16	13	3	129
District Totals	35	68	187	55	31	6	382
% of Total	9.2%	17.8%	49.1%	14.4%	8.1%	1.3%	100.0%
District 21							
Forsyth	38	44	325	150	32	34	623
% of Total	6.1%	7.1%	52.2%	24.1%	5.1%	5.5%	100.0%
District 22							
Alexander	3	1	14	14	2	1	35
Davidson	6	20	94	43	12	3	178
Davie	0	3	21	2	1	2	29
Iredell	9	45	92	4	21	1	172
District Totals	18	69	221	63	36	7	414
% of Total	4.3%	16.7%	53.4%	15.2%	8.7%	1.7%	100.0%
District 23							
Alleghany	1	2	6	3	2	1	15
Ashe	1	4	16	0	0	2	23
Wilkes	6	8	69	36	5	0	124
Yadkin	1	4	18	8	2	0	33
District Totals	9	18	109	47	9	3	195
% of Total	4.6%	9.2%	55.9%	24.1%	4.6%	1.5%	100.0%
District 24							
Avery	0	10	21	9	9	2	51
Madison	5	1	1	11	0	1	19
Mitchell	1	4	15	10	0	3	33
Watauga	3	2	48	15	3	3	74
Yancey	2	4	4	3	1	2	16
District Totals	11	21	89	48	13	11	193
% of Total	5.7%	10.9%	46.1%	24.9%	6.7%	5.7%	100.0%
District 25							
Burke	16	34	95	7	8	2	162
Caldwell	10	10	68	21	15	1	125
Catawba	11	35	125	31	31	8	241
District Totals	37	79	288	59	54	11	528
% of Total	7.0%	15.0%	54.5%	11.2%	10.2%	2.1%	100.0%
District 26							
Mecklenburg	135	261	1073	173	140	21	1803
% of Total	7.5%	14.5%	59.5%	9.6%	7.8%	1.2%	100.0%

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 27A							
Gaston	45	61	293	53	21	28	501
% of Total	9.0%	12.2%	58.5%	10.6%	4.2%	5.6%	100.0%
District 27B							
Cleveland	11	21	99	6	4	6	147
Lincoln	5	0	33	19	1	1	59
District Totals	16	21	132	25	5	7	206
% of Total	7.8%	10.2%	64.1%	12.1%	2.4%	3.4%	100.0%
District 28							
Buncombe	47	78	197	55	24	30	431
% of Total	10.9%	18.1%	45.7%	12.8%	5.6%	7.0%	100.0%
District 29							
Henderson	13	17	60	31	4	2	127
McDowell	2	7	19	21	3	1	53
Polk	1	0	5	5	0	3	14
Rutherford	11	10	48	11	0	1	81
Transylvania	2	8	17	11	4	0	42
District Totals	29	42	149	79	11	7	317
% of Total	9.1%	13.2%	47.0%	24.9%	3.5%	2.2%	100.0%
District 30							
Cherokee	6	3	12	2	1	1	25
Clay	3	1	3	0	0	1	8
Graham	1	0	6	7	0	1	15
Haywood	3	25	40	13	13	0	94
Jackson	9	13	20	11	3	5	61
Macon	3	5	35	14	10	3	70
Swain	1	2	7	8	0	2	20
District Totals	26	49	123	55	27	13	293
% of Total	8.9%	16.7%	42.0%	18.8%	9.2%	4.4%	100.0%
State Totals	938	1,901	7,497	2,293	955	505	14,089
% of Total	6.7%	13.5%	53.2%	16.3%	6.8%	3.6%	100.0%

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 1									
Camden	5	55.6%	3	33.3%	1	11.1%	9	342.0	356.0
Chowan	27	69.2%	8	20.5%	4	10.3%	39	338.0	185.0
Currituck	20	60.6%	13	39.4%	0	0.0%	33	315.2	311.0
Dare	65	61.9%	26	24.8%	14	13.3%	105	375.8	300.0
Gates	4	36.4%	4	36.4%	3	27.3%	11	481.7	516.0
Pasquotank	42	64.6%	18	27.7%	5	7.7%	65	302.6	235.0
Perquimans	11	64.7%	2	11.8%	4	23.5%	17	354.1	235.0
District Totals	174	62.4%	74	26.5%	31	11.1%	279	348.0	283.0
District 2									
Beaufort	60	68.2%	15	17.0%	13	14.8%	88	370.4	283.0
Hyde	7	53.8%	1	7.7%	5	38.5%	13	549.2	273.0
Martin	26	63.4%	6	14.6%	9	22.0%	41	459.0	222.0
Tyrrell	4	36.4%	5	45.5%	2	18.2%	11	520.9	561.0
Washington	34	79.1%	6	14.0%	3	7.0%	43	267.0	175.0
District Totals	131	66.8%	33	16.8%	32	16.3%	196	386.6	248.5
District 3									
Carteret	135	75.8%	40	22.5%	3	1.7%	178	238.4	166.0
Craven	141	75.0%	33	17.6%	14	7.4%	188	310.0	224.0
Pamlico	9	75.0%	0	0.0%	3	25.0%	12	403.8	115.5
Pitt	192	71.4%	51	19.0%	26	9.7%	269	298.3	209.0
District Totals	477	73.7%	124	19.2%	46	7.1%	647	287.2	194.0
District 4									
Duplin	58	65.2%	17	19.1%	14	15.7%	89	365.3	248.0
Jones	14	50.0%	4	14.3%	10	35.7%	28	701.4	350.0
Onslow	161	59.9%	74	27.5%	34	12.6%	269	394.9	278.0
Sampson	53	71.6%	16	21.6%	5	6.8%	74	286.5	235.5
District Totals	286	62.2%	111	24.1%	63	13.7%	460	390.4	263.5
District 5									
New Hanover	275	69.4%	101	25.5%	20	5.1%	396	284.1	227.5
Pender	23	59.0%	12	30.8%	4	10.3%	39	404.2	265.0
District Totals	298	68.5%	113	26.0%	24	5.5%	435	294.9	229.0
District 6									
Bertie	21	84.0%	4	16.0%	0	0.0%	25	202.6	115.0
Halifax	43	58.1%	24	32.4%	7	9.5%	74	434.3	274.0
Hertford	32	60.4%	12	22.6%	9	17.0%	53	417.9	286.0
Northampton	20	58.8%	10	29.4%	4	11.8%	34	387.5	257.0
District Totals	116	62.4%	50	26.9%	20	10.8%	186	389.9	250.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	76	78.4%	19	19.6%	2	2.1%	97	209.5	144.0
Nash	130	76.0%	32	18.7%	9	5.3%	171	246.3	137.0
Wilson	99	76.7%	20	15.5%	10	7.8%	129	263.3	173.0
District Totals	305	76.8%	71	17.9%	21	5.3%	397	242.8	150.0
District 8									
Greene	27	81.8%	6	18.2%	0	0.0%	33	268.5	294.0
Lenoir	146	75.3%	41	21.1%	7	3.6%	194	264.4	204.0
Wayne	151	68.3%	50	22.6%	20	9.0%	221	294.2	194.0
District Totals	324	72.3%	97	21.7%	27	6.0%	448	279.4	201.5

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 9									
Franklin	39	67.2%	15	25.9%	4	6.9%	58	279.0	201.0
Granville	28	57.1%	16	32.7%	5	10.2%	49	361.2	320.0
Person	29	76.3%	8	21.1%	1	2.6%	38	239.7	159.0
Vance	28	59.6%	15	31.9%	4	8.5%	47	361.5	277.0
Warren	23	63.9%	5	13.9%	8	22.2%	36	400.5	250.0
District Totals	147	64.5%	59	25.9%	22	9.6%	228	326.3	253.5
District 10									
Wake	945	71.9%	279	21.2%	91	6.9%	1315	277.6	203.0
District 11									
Harnett	82	77.4%	24	22.6%	0	0.0%	106	233.4	222.5
Johnston	131	80.9%	28	17.3%	3	1.9%	162	216.4	159.0
Lee	64	79.0%	17	21.0%	0	0.0%	81	220.1	200.0
District Totals	277	79.4%	69	19.8%	3	0.9%	349	222.4	200.0
District 12									
Cumberland	331	61.1%	134	24.7%	77	14.2%	542	373.3	276.0
Hoke	10	62.5%	0	0.0%	6	37.5%	16	426.9	143.5
District Totals	341	61.1%	134	24.0%	83	14.9%	558	374.8	276.0
District 13									
Bladen	18	60.0%	12	40.0%	0	0.0%	30	298.2	334.0
Brunswick	57	60.6%	26	27.7%	11	11.7%	94	335.4	261.5
Columbus	90	57.3%	50	31.8%	17	10.8%	157	368.3	315.0
District Totals	165	58.7%	88	31.3%	28	10.0%	281	349.8	298.0
District 14									
Durham	400	71.4%	114	20.4%	46	8.2%	560	294.9	220.0
District 15A									
Alamance	108	56.5%	29	15.2%	54	28.3%	191	509.7	311.0
District 15B									
Chatham	39	90.7%	4	9.3%	0	0.0%	43	156.4	111.0
Orange	113	85.0%	18	13.5%	2	1.5%	133	210.0	158.0
District Totals	152	86.4%	22	12.5%	2	1.1%	176	196.9	145.0
District 16									
Robeson	133	63.9%	56	26.9%	19	9.1%	208	333.5	274.0
Scotland	41	65.1%	20	31.7%	2	3.2%	63	317.5	250.0
District Totals	174	64.2%	76	28.0%	21	7.7%	271	329.7	262.0
District 17A									
Caswell	9	69.2%	4	30.8%	0	0.0%	13	333.5	287.0
Rockingham	90	89.1%	10	9.9%	1	1.0%	101	181.5	154.0
District Totals	99	86.8%	14	12.3%	1	0.9%	114	198.8	169.5
District 17B									
Stokes	20	95.2%	1	4.8%	0	0.0%	21	145.2	117.0
Surry	54	85.7%	9	14.3%	0	0.0%	63	186.8	171.0
District Totals	74	88.1%	10	11.9%	0	0.0%	84	176.4	147.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 18									
Guilford	675	69.6%	239	24.6%	56	5.8%	970	293.2	232.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	107	81.7%	22	16.8%	2	1.5%	131	216.1	185.0
Rowan	114	85.7%	18	13.5%	1	0.8%	133	213.6	179.0
District Totals	221	83.7%	40	15.2%	3	1.1%	264	214.9	179.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	16	69.6%	4	17.4%	3	13.0%	23	376.4	234.0
Randolph	74	67.3%	22	20.0%	14	12.7%	110	345.9	267.0
District Totals	90	67.7%	26	19.5%	17	12.8%	133	351.2	264.0
District 20									
Anson	36	62.1%	20	34.5%	2	3.4%	58	311.9	308.5
Moore	66	42.0%	76	48.4%	15	9.6%	157	449.6	480.0
Richmond	63	67.7%	14	15.1%	16	17.2%	93	408.5	236.0
Stanly	42	61.8%	11	16.2%	15	22.1%	68	502.0	329.0
Union	89	58.2%	48	31.4%	16	10.5%	153	359.9	322.0
District Totals	296	56.0%	169	31.9%	64	12.1%	529	408.1	325.0
District 21									
Forsyth	427	89.1%	47	9.8%	5	1.0%	479	187.6	157.0
District 22									
Alexander	21	75.0%	7	25.0%	0	0.0%	28	230.5	213.0
Davidson	96	73.3%	31	23.7%	4	3.1%	131	263.5	216.0
Davie	29	82.9%	6	17.1%	0	0.0%	35	180.6	132.0
Iredell	130	84.4%	21	13.6%	3	1.9%	154	221.0	165.0
District Totals	276	79.3%	65	18.7%	7	2.0%	348	233.7	179.5
District 23									
Alleghany	7	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	137.7	109.0
Ashe	10	66.7%	5	33.3%	0	0.0%	15	272.5	256.0
Wilkes	121	81.8%	22	14.9%	5	3.4%	148	226.0	195.0
Yadkin	27	79.4%	6	17.6%	1	2.9%	34	225.3	176.5
District Totals	165	80.9%	33	16.2%	6	2.9%	204	226.3	195.0
District 24									
Avery	44	91.7%	2	4.2%	2	4.2%	48	160.8	89.5
Madison	32	36.0%	38	42.7%	19	21.3%	89	477.4	458.0
Mitchell	28	87.5%	4	12.5%	0	0.0%	32	195.7	157.0
Watauga	47	82.5%	9	15.8%	1	1.8%	57	222.0	160.0
Yancey	13	81.3%	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	16	213.0	182.0
District Totals	164	67.8%	56	23.1%	22	9.1%	242	299.7	223.0
District 25									
Burke	134	81.2%	22	13.3%	9	5.5%	165	237.7	172.0
Caldwell	125	74.4%	32	19.0%	11	6.5%	168	300.5	242.0
Catawba	188	74.9%	45	17.9%	18	7.2%	251	285.0	181.0
District Totals	447	76.5%	99	17.0%	38	6.5%	584	276.1	199.5
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,430	63.6%	703	31.3%	116	5.2%	2249	316.0	255.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	312	87.9%	41	11.5%	2	0.6%	355	182.7	145.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	111	81.0%	23	16.8%	3	2.2%	137	220.1	196.0
Lincoln	39	78.0%	10	20.0%	1	2.0%	50	247.3	208.5
District Totals	150	80.2%	33	17.6%	4	2.1%	187	227.4	196.0
District 28									
Buncombe	318	79.1%	68	16.9%	16	4.0%	402	257.3	164.5
District 29									
Henderson	90	57.7%	47	30.1%	19	12.2%	156	392.5	312.0
McDowell	39	60.9%	23	35.9%	2	3.1%	64	319.5	314.0
Polk	16	66.7%	6	25.0%	2	8.3%	24	343.5	186.5
Rutherford	41	43.6%	45	47.9%	8	8.5%	94	401.6	437.0
Transylvania	42	57.5%	27	37.0%	4	5.5%	73	334.8	335.0
District Totals	228	55.5%	148	36.0%	35	8.5%	411	370.1	321.0
District 30									
Cherokee	24	61.5%	9	23.1%	6	15.4%	39	363.8	230.0
Clay	6	60.0%	4	40.0%	0	0.0%	10	332.7	304.0
Graham	14	51.9%	7	25.9%	6	22.2%	27	403.7	305.0
Haywood	86	60.6%	32	22.5%	24	16.9%	142	381.8	277.0
Jackson	34	58.6%	14	24.1%	10	17.2%	58	488.4	310.0
Macon	38	48.1%	25	31.6%	16	20.3%	79	459.0	376.0
Swain	12	42.9%	10	35.7%	6	21.4%	28	523.7	509.5
District Totals	214	55.9%	101	26.4%	68	17.8%	383	422.7	314.0
State Totals	10,406	69.8%	3,435	23.0%	1,074	7.2%	14,915	301.7	224.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 1									
Camden	8	61.5%	4	30.8%	1	7.7%	13	263.9	90.0
Chowan	13	72.2%	4	22.2%	1	5.6%	18	311.1	263.5
Currituck	26	55.3%	17	36.2%	4	8.5%	47	332.5	336.0
Dare	69	67.6%	16	15.7%	17	16.7%	102	336.9	210.0
Gates	8	72.7%	1	9.1%	2	18.2%	11	348.5	225.0
Pasquotank	42	72.4%	9	15.5%	7	12.1%	58	324.9	233.0
Perquimans	3	25.0%	3	25.0%	6	50.0%	12	782.9	741.0
District Totals	169	64.8%	54	20.7%	38	14.6%	261	349.0	237.0
District 2									
Beaufort	47	66.2%	19	26.8%	5	7.0%	71	312.1	258.0
Hyde	9	56.3%	3	18.8%	4	25.0%	16	413.0	265.5
Martin	19	55.9%	8	23.5%	7	20.6%	34	374.1	328.5
Tyrrell	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	2	345.5	345.5
Washington	22	71.0%	5	16.1%	4	12.9%	31	370.2	311.0
District Totals	98	63.6%	36	23.4%	20	13.0%	154	348.4	299.0
District 3									
Carteret	76	55.5%	42	30.7%	19	13.9%	137	392.2	279.0
Craven	142	64.3%	50	22.6%	29	13.1%	221	349.6	272.0
Pamlico	9	56.3%	3	18.8%	4	25.0%	16	492.3	349.5
Pitt	187	66.3%	67	23.8%	28	9.9%	282	328.1	250.0
District Totals	414	63.1%	162	24.7%	80	12.2%	656	352.7	265.5
District 4									
Duplin	58	58.0%	24	24.0%	18	18.0%	100	431.4	323.0
Jones	6	75.0%	2	25.0%	0	0.0%	8	271.0	186.0
Onslow	121	58.5%	55	26.6%	31	15.0%	207	400.8	309.0
Sampson	94	74.6%	19	15.1%	13	10.3%	126	244.8	113.5
District Totals	279	63.3%	100	22.7%	62	14.1%	441	360.8	259.0
District 5									
New Hanover	175	62.3%	69	24.6%	37	13.2%	281	357.0	244.0
Pender	13	41.9%	11	35.5%	7	22.6%	31	564.4	435.0
District Totals	188	60.3%	80	25.6%	44	14.1%	312	377.7	256.0
District 6									
Bertie	15	65.2%	5	21.7%	3	13.0%	23	394.6	309.0
Halifax	34	63.0%	15	27.8%	5	9.3%	54	360.1	249.5
Hertford	27	77.1%	6	17.1%	2	5.7%	35	269.1	213.0
Northampton	14	58.3%	5	20.8%	5	20.8%	24	369.8	264.5
District Totals	90	66.2%	31	22.8%	15	11.0%	136	344.2	249.5
District 7									
Edgecombe	68	67.3%	27	26.7%	6	5.9%	101	272.2	204.0
Nash	100	69.0%	35	24.1%	10	6.9%	145	310.1	198.0
Wilson	92	70.2%	25	19.1%	14	10.7%	131	304.6	231.0
District Totals	260	69.0%	87	23.1%	30	8.0%	377	298.1	212.0
District 8									
Greene	12	80.0%	2	13.3%	1	6.7%	15	225.0	108.0
Lenoir	94	59.5%	48	30.4%	16	10.1%	158	320.5	254.0
Wayne	138	61.1%	57	25.2%	31	13.7%	226	375.8	251.5
District Totals	244	61.2%	107	26.8%	48	12.0%	399	348.2	250.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 9									
Franklin	26	48.1%	17	31.5%	11	20.4%	54	433.7	388.0
Granville	34	65.4%	16	30.8%	2	3.8%	52	331.8	321.0
Person	33	76.7%	10	23.3%	0	0.0%	43	224.5	224.0
Vance	36	57.1%	16	25.4%	11	17.5%	63	396.5	278.0
Warren	17	65.4%	5	19.2%	4	15.4%	26	346.3	273.0
District Totals	146	61.3%	64	26.9%	28	11.8%	238	354.2	280.5
District 10									
Wake	714	62.2%	305	26.6%	129	11.2%	1148	345.9	265.0
District 11									
Harnett	83	69.7%	33	27.7%	3	2.5%	119	279.5	244.0
Johnston	157	75.1%	49	23.4%	3	1.4%	209	231.4	188.0
Lee	60	76.9%	17	21.8%	1	1.3%	78	246.7	203.0
District Totals	300	73.9%	99	24.4%	7	1.7%	406	248.4	209.0
District 12									
Cumberland	211	49.2%	121	28.2%	97	22.6%	429	464.4	377.0
Hoke	7	70.0%	2	20.0%	1	10.0%	10	330.3	158.5
District Totals	218	49.7%	123	28.0%	98	22.3%	439	461.3	370.0
District 13									
Bladen	16	33.3%	18	37.5%	14	29.2%	48	491.9	473.0
Brunswick	40	52.6%	26	34.2%	10	13.2%	76	416.7	353.5
Columbus	42	37.2%	38	33.6%	33	29.2%	113	536.6	443.0
District Totals	98	41.4%	82	34.6%	57	24.1%	237	489.1	443.0
District 14									
Durham	299	66.9%	115	25.7%	33	7.4%	447	310.5	277.0
District 15A									
Alamance	69	51.1%	26	19.3%	40	29.6%	135	538.7	351.0
District 15B									
Chatham	49	86.0%	8	14.0%	0	0.0%	57	220.5	249.0
Orange	98	62.8%	52	33.3%	6	3.8%	156	310.4	309.5
District Totals	147	69.0%	60	28.2%	6	2.8%	213	286.4	280.0
District 16									
Robeson	84	56.8%	41	27.7%	23	15.5%	148	386.1	304.5
Scotland	20	54.1%	15	40.5%	2	5.4%	37	346.8	309.0
District Totals	104	56.2%	56	30.3%	25	13.5%	185	378.2	305.0
District 17A									
Caswell	21	87.5%	3	12.5%	0	0.0%	24	209.3	202.5
Rockingham	126	86.3%	15	10.3%	5	3.4%	146	227.6	213.5
District Totals	147	86.5%	18	10.6%	5	2.9%	170	225.0	211.5
District 17B									
Stokes	25	86.2%	4	13.8%	0	0.0%	29	223.7	225.0
Surry	92	76.7%	28	23.3%	0	0.0%	120	249.6	265.0
District Totals	117	78.5%	32	21.5%	0	0.0%	149	244.6	255.0

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 18									
Guilford	501	39.4%	361	28.4%	409	32.2%	1271	537.9	520.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	76	57.6%	45	34.1%	11	8.3%	132	369.0	316.5
Rowan	108	74.0%	34	23.3%	4	2.7%	146	276.5	273.0
District Totals	184	66.2%	79	28.4%	15	5.4%	278	320.4	288.5
District 19B									
Montgomery	8	50.0%	5	31.3%	3	18.8%	16	518.6	370.5
Randolph	69	51.1%	32	23.7%	34	25.2%	135	488.4	351.0
District Totals	77	51.0%	37	24.5%	37	24.5%	151	491.6	351.0
District 20									
Anson	23	48.9%	15	31.9%	9	19.1%	47	424.3	369.0
Moore	49	50.0%	37	37.8%	12	12.2%	98	432.0	366.0
Richmond	28	54.9%	19	37.3%	4	7.8%	51	352.6	266.0
Stanly	35	61.4%	16	28.1%	6	10.5%	57	350.3	293.0
Union	69	53.5%	44	34.1%	16	12.4%	129	399.9	342.0
District Totals	204	53.4%	131	34.3%	47	12.3%	382	397.4	335.5
District 21									
Forsyth	424	68.1%	188	30.2%	11	1.8%	623	294.0	285.0
District 22									
Alexander	25	71.4%	10	28.6%	0	0.0%	35	267.7	237.0
Davidson	114	64.0%	61	34.3%	3	1.7%	178	299.1	268.0
Davie	19	65.5%	6	20.7%	4	13.8%	29	374.3	307.0
Iredell	129	75.0%	38	22.1%	5	2.9%	172	259.0	236.5
District Totals	287	69.3%	115	27.8%	12	2.9%	414	285.1	254.0
District 23									
Alleghany	9	60.0%	6	40.0%	0	0.0%	15	287.6	238.0
Ashe	12	52.2%	9	39.1%	2	8.7%	23	414.2	353.0
Wilkes	66	53.2%	49	39.5%	9	7.3%	124	380.0	347.0
Yadkin	28	84.8%	4	12.1%	1	3.0%	33	242.2	199.0
District Totals	115	59.0%	68	34.9%	12	6.2%	195	353.6	295.0
District 24									
Avery	37	72.5%	13	25.5%	1	2.0%	51	245.7	243.0
Madison	8	42.1%	7	36.8%	4	21.1%	19	494.3	387.0
Mitchell	14	42.4%	15	45.5%	4	12.1%	33	500.1	395.0
Watauga	48	64.9%	24	32.4%	2	2.7%	74	301.9	293.0
Yancey	12	75.0%	3	18.8%	1	6.3%	16	294.7	198.5
District Totals	119	61.7%	62	32.1%	12	6.2%	193	339.3	293.0
District 25									
Burke	99	61.1%	39	24.1%	24	14.8%	162	377.6	286.5
Caldwell	85	68.0%	33	26.4%	7	5.6%	125	306.7	285.0
Catawba	173	71.8%	60	24.9%	8	3.3%	241	290.1	275.0
District Totals	357	67.6%	132	25.0%	39	7.4%	528	320.9	281.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	961	53.3%	622	34.5%	220	12.2%	1803	382.5	302.0

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)								
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%	Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 27A									
Gaston	383	76.4%	105	21.0%	13	2.6%	501	264.7	250.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	81	55.1%	54	36.7%	12	8.2%	147	344.3	331.0
Lincoln	36	61.0%	19	32.2%	4	6.8%	59	331.6	309.0
District Totals	117	56.8%	73	35.4%	16	7.8%	206	340.6	328.5
District 28									
Buncombe	325	75.4%	84	19.5%	22	5.1%	431	289.4	236.0
District 29									
Henderson	47	37.0%	34	26.8%	46	36.2%	127	592.6	653.0
McDowell	28	52.8%	17	32.1%	8	15.1%	53	477.7	347.0
Polk	9	64.3%	4	28.6%	1	7.1%	14	353.5	312.0
Rutherford	28	34.6%	38	46.9%	15	18.5%	81	487.8	548.0
Transylvania	21	50.0%	11	26.2%	10	23.8%	42	469.6	379.0
District Totals	133	42.0%	104	32.8%	80	25.2%	317	519.8	470.0
District 30									
Cherokee	7	28.0%	11	44.0%	7	28.0%	25	523.6	587.0
Clay	3	50.0%	1	16.7%	4	66.7%	6	542.0	570.5
Graham	9	60.0%	5	33.3%	1	6.7%	15	325.4	309.0
Haywood	39	41.5%	31	33.0%	24	25.5%	94	483.5	472.0
Jackson	29	47.5%	18	29.5%	14	23.0%	61	533.4	377.0
Macon	29	41.4%	29	41.4%	12	17.1%	70	479.9	446.0
Swain	7	35.0%	4	20.0%	9	45.0%	20	667.4	643.0
District Totals	123	42.0%	99	33.8%	71	24.2%	293	502.5	457.0
State Totals	8,411	59.7%	3,897	27.7%	1,781	12.6%	14,089	369.2	289.0

CASELOAD TRENDS IN ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS

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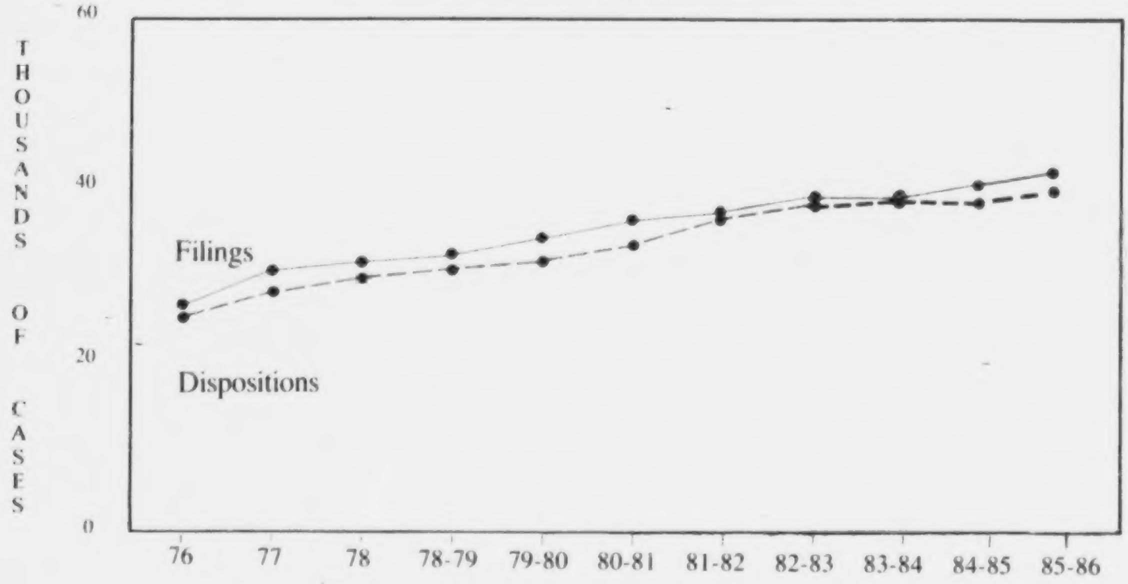
ESTATE CASES



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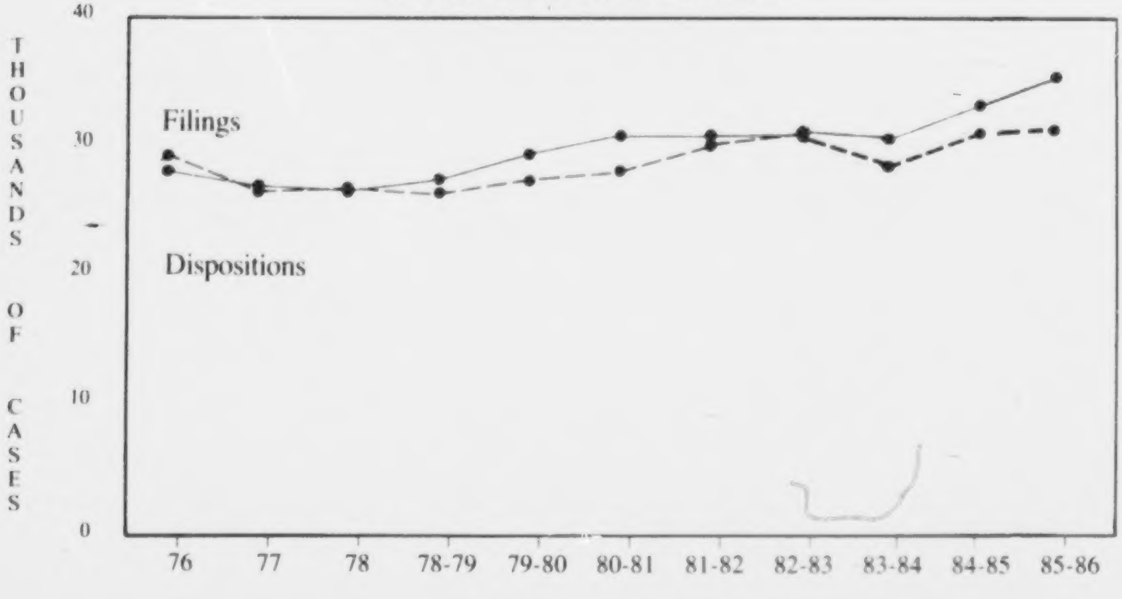

Following the general trend of the last decade, filings of estate and special proceedings increased. During 1985-86, estate filings increased by 2.1% and estate dispositions increased by 3.0%; special proceeding filings increased by 6.0% while dispositions of these cases increased by 1.5%.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 1				
Camden	57	59	21	19
Chowan	168	154	56	45
Currituck	99	103	75	51
Dare	161	136	114	111
Gates	56	58	31	25
Pasquotank	260	223	123	103
Perquimans	93	83	31	24
District Totals	894	816	451	378
District 2				
Beaufort	429	335	153	96
Hyde	75	57	32	34
Martin	223	205	151	140
Tyrrell	33	16	10	7
Washington	118	99	61	67
District Totals	878	712	407	344
District 3				
Carteret	450	430	225	169
Craven	440	374	404	321
Pamlico	74	62	13	6
Pitt	572	527	510	362
District Totals	1,536	1,393	1,152	858
District 4				
Duplin	387	413	242	173
Jones	77	49	38	30
Onslow	387	313	876	637
Sampson	393	412	323	306
District Totals	1,244	1,187	1,479	1,146
District 5				
New Hanover	726	612	989	970
Pender	154	148	138	128
District Totals	880	760	1,127	1,098
District 6				
Bertie	151	94	78	64
Halifax	455	418	242	175
Hertford	200	174	127	140
Northampton	197	171	90	107
District Totals	1,003	857	537	486
District 7				
Edgecombe	407	370	287	180
Nash	435	502	363	347
Wilson	495	541	323	255
District Totals	1,337	1,413	973	782
District 8				
Greene	134	119	41	53
Lenoir	524	449	387	416
Wayne	677	845	604	594
District Totals	1,335	1,413	1,032	1,063

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 9				
Franklin	213	184	192	121
Granville	252	231	329	310
Person	263	244	148	124
Vance	281	220	194	189
Warren	194	162	112	114
District Totals	1,203	1,041	975	858
District 10				
Wake	1,696	1,555	1,995	1,708
District 11				
Harnett	424	389	252	249
Johnston	520	525	630	656
Lee	302	429	176	175
District Totals	1,246	1,343	1,058	1,080
District 12				
Cumberland	964	926	1,835	1,951
Hoke	67	86	85	136
District Totals	1,031	1,012	1,920	2,087
District 13				
Bladen	242	226	212	175
Brunswick	342	444	247	254
Columbus	354	395	251	559
District Totals	938	1,065	710	988
District 14				
Durham	1,120	1,048	1,310	1,274
District 15A				
Alamance	765	789	625	685
District 15B				
Chatham	272	272	128	98
Orange	462	383	394	251
District Totals	734	655	522	349
District 16				
Robeson	610	552	591	572
Scotland	241	178	202	158
District Totals	851	730	793	730
District 17A				
Caswell	128	100	143	65
Rockingham	678	600	329	249
District Totals	806	700	472	314
District 17B				
Stokes	213	194	97	97
Surry	401	441	294	326
District Totals	614	635	391	423

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 18				
Guilford	2,265	2,126	2,186	2,047
District 19A				
Cabarrus	612	656	302	226
Rowan	874	827	942	825
District Totals	1,486	1,483	1,244	1,051
District 20				
Montgomery	185	163	154	86
Randolph	601	568	372	374
District Totals	786	731	526	460
District 21				
Anson	117	117	87	59
Moore	484	507	310	320
Richmond	314	226	267	173
Stanly	381	390	177	131
Union	430	397	288	219
District Totals	1,726	1,637	1,129	902
District 22				
Forsyth	1,633	1,596	1,467	1,412
District 22				
Alexander	169	137	121	116
Davidson	764	744	382	313
Davie	192	153	111	63
Iredell	730	631	346	325
District Totals	1,855	1,665	960	817
District 23				
Alleghany	87	84	56	59
Ashe	205	220	119	113
Wilkes	253	250	363	323
Yadkin	273	221	92	82
District Totals	818	775	630	577
District 24				
Avery	107	119	91	59
Madison	82	82	33	42
Mitchell	97	92	39	37
Watauga	159	190	187	152
Yancey	94	58	48	22
District Totals	539	541	398	312
District 25				
Burke	496	462	414	402
Caldwell	456	447	330	243
Catawba	685	669	381	422
District Totals	1,637	1,578	1,125	1,067
District 26				
Mecklenburg	2,645	2,598	3,453	2,513

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 27A				
Gaston	1,061	1,107	706	715
District 27B				
Cleveland	609	608	573	514
Lincoln	322	274	162	172
District Totals	931	882	735	686
District 28				
Buncombe	1,404	1,462	1,115	1,003
District 29				
Henderson	669	524	311	323
McDowell	216	185	211	147
Polk	164	175	81	76
Rutherford	454	397	190	152
Transylvania	190	203	122	72
District Totals	1,693	1,484	915	770
District 30				
Cherokee	174	133	93	97
Clay	41	33	20	24
Graham	44	20	37	20
Haywood	357	321	199	216
Jackson	143	141	131	139
Macon	181	259	239	215
Swain	63	69	44	41
District Totals	1,003	976	763	752
State Totals	41,593	39,765	35,281	31,735

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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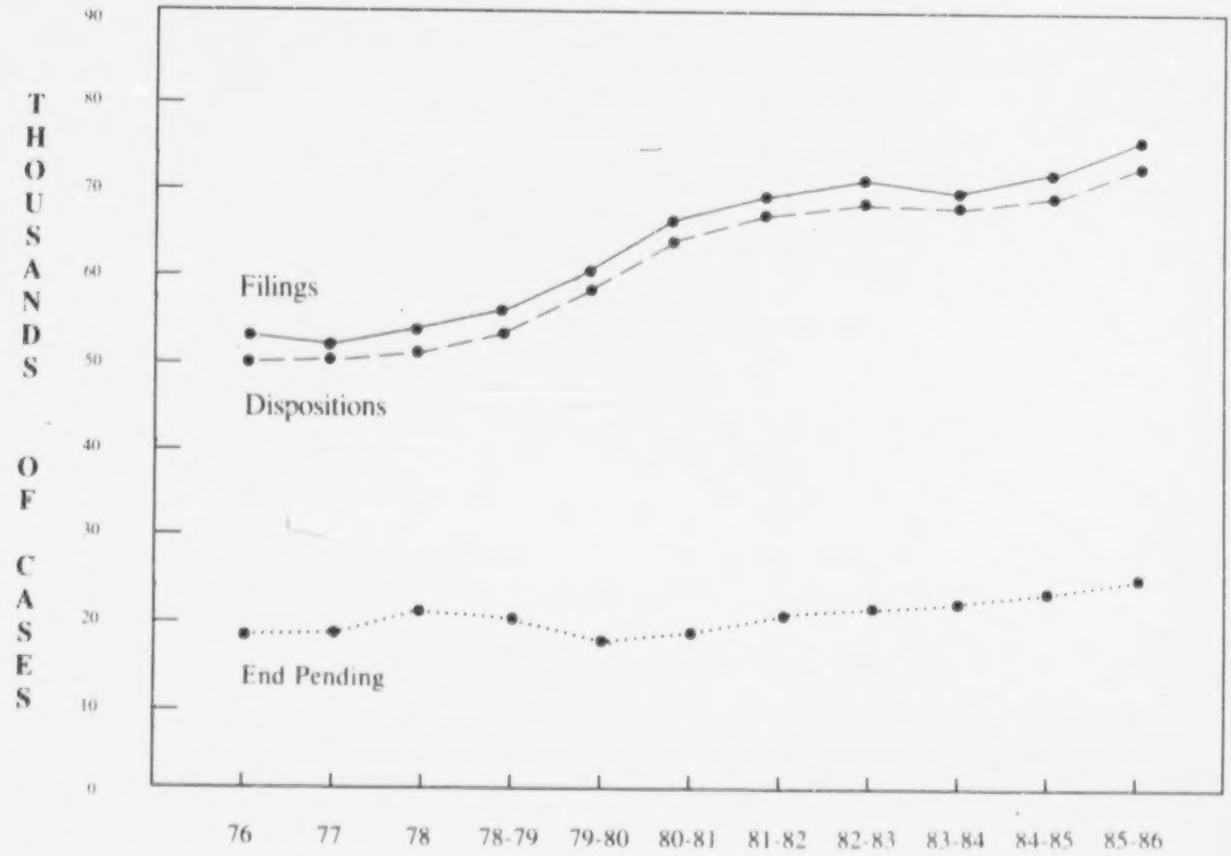

The number of criminal cases filed in superior court continued to grow, largely due to a 9.9% increase in felony filings compared to last year. Misdemeanor filings increased by only 0.6%. Superior court felony filings have doubled since 1973.

FILINGS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS-BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986

A total of 76,179 criminal cases were reported filed in the Superior Courts, of which 44,980 were felonies, and 31,199 misdemeanors. These are broken down into the following specific types of cases:

FELONIES	**Number Filed**	**% of Total Filings**
Murder	465	1.0
Manslaughter	219	0.5
First Degree Rape	1,148	2.6
Other Sex Offense	248	0.5
Robbery	1,559	3.5
Assault	1,866	4.1
Burglary	8,538	19.0
Larceny	6,386	14.2
Arson & Burnings	363	0.8
Forgery & Utterings	5,981	13.3
Fraudulent Activity	4,174	9.3
Controlled Substances	7,750	17.2
* Other	6,283	14.0
TOTAL	44,980	100.0
MISDEMEANORS		
DWI Appeal	5,774	18.5
Other Motor Vehicle Appeal	6,047	19.4
Non-Motor Vehicle Appeal	17,021	54.6
Misdemeanor Originating in Superior Court	2,357	7.5
TOTAL	31,199	100.0

* "Other" felony cases include a wide variety of offenses defined in the North Carolina General Statutes that do not fit squarely into any of the listed offenses above, including kidnapping, trespassing, crimes against public morality, perjury, and obstructing justice. When more than one offense is charged, the first offense listed in the criminal pleading (originating document) is used to assign the case type given above.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 1												
Camden	6	32	38	32	84.2%	6	30	62	92	71	77.2%	21
Chowan	35	30	65	56	86.2%	9	34	176	210	188	89.5%	22
Currituck	35	54	89	76	85.4%	13	38	113	151	126	83.4%	25
Dare	52	220	272	194	71.3%	78	99	257	356	274	77.0%	82
Gates	20	29	49	39	79.6%	10	11	80	91	49	53.8%	42
Pasquotank	70	207	277	206	74.4%	71	127	609	736	605	82.2%	131
Perquimans	20	39	59	50	84.7%	9	40	104	144	103	71.5%	41
Dist Totals	238	611	849	653	76.9%	196	379	1,401	1,780	1,416	79.6%	364
District 2												
Beaufort	118	382	500	340	68.0%	160	62	240	302	227	75.2%	75
Hyde	28	35	63	34	54.0%	29	10	34	44	29	65.9%	15
Martin	14	118	132	119	90.2%	13	5	75	80	60	75.0%	20
Tyrrell	4	37	41	24	58.5%	17	13	33	46	37	80.4%	9
Washington	12	52	64	53	82.8%	11	21	88	109	89	81.7%	20
Dist Totals	176	624	800	570	71.3%	230	111	470	581	442	76.1%	139
District 3												
Carteret	134	290	424	352	83.0%	72	38	159	197	111	56.3%	86
Craven	195	447	642	515	80.2%	127	61	324	385	337	87.5%	48
Pamlico	25	37	62	43	69.4%	19	3	32	35	29	82.9%	6
Pitt	165	854	1,019	872	85.6%	147	122	798	920	784	85.2%	136
Dist Totals	519	1,628	2,147	1,782	83.0%	365	224	1,313	1,537	1,261	82.0%	276
District 4												
Duplin	64	435	499	449	90.0%	50	5	85	90	78	86.7%	12
Jones	1	82	83	81	97.6%	2	3	17	20	19	95.0%	1
Onslow	237	854	1,091	908	83.2%	183	39	237	276	233	84.4%	43
Sampson	36	292	328	298	90.9%	30	1	50	51	50	98.0%	1
Dist Totals	338	1,663	2,001	1,736	86.8%	265	48	389	437	380	87.0%	57
District 5												
New Hanover	544	1,779	2,323	1,972	84.9%	351	171	777	948	776	81.9%	172
Pender	13	79	92	65	70.7%	27	22	46	68	54	79.4%	14
Dist Totals	557	1,858	2,415	2,037	84.3%	378	193	823	1,016	830	81.7%	186
District 6												
Bertie	20	116	136	123	90.4%	13	19	103	122	94	77.0%	28
Halifax	45	374	419	297	70.9%	122	60	345	405	289	71.4%	116
Hertford	57	115	172	152	88.4%	20	23	136	159	128	80.5%	31
Northampton	9	146	155	98	63.2%	57	21	75	96	77	80.2%	19
Dist Totals	131	751	882	670	76.0%	212	123	659	782	588	75.2%	194
District 7												
Edgecombe	62	348	410	357	87.1%	53	39	190	229	200	87.3%	29
Nash	45	479	524	412	78.6%	112	57	365	422	393	93.1%	29
Wilson	77	427	504	452	89.7%	52	54	213	267	188	70.4%	79
Dist Totals	184	1,254	1,438	1,221	84.9%	217	150	768	918	781	85.1%	137
District 8												
Greene	15	74	89	60	67.4%	29	14	94	108	78	72.2%	30
Lenoir	94	299	393	334	85.0%	59	106	443	549	443	80.7%	106
Wayne	242	581	823	636	77.3%	187	168	630	798	659	82.6%	139
Dist Totals	351	954	1,305	1,030	78.9%	275	288	1,167	1,455	1,180	81.1%	275

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District 9												
Franklin	50	195	245	205	83.7%	40	39	150	189	141	74.6%	48
Granville	162	230	392	300	76.5%	92	107	214	321	215	67.0%	106
Person	94	120	214	180	84.1%	34	177	248	425	339	79.8%	86
Vance	132	393	525	396	75.4%	129	121	335	456	338	74.1%	118
Warren	30	71	101	66	65.3%	35	44	76	120	89	74.2%	31
Dist Totals	468	1,009	1,477	1,147	77.7%	330	488	1,023	1,511	1,122	74.3%	389
District 10												
Wake	1,736	3,612	5,348	3,265	61.1%	2,083	421	1,685	2,106	1,664	79.0%	442
District 11												
Harnett	23	176	199	136	68.3%	63	23	80	103	93	90.3%	10
Johnston	19	297	316	247	78.2%	69	36	247	283	267	94.3%	16
Lee	23	299	322	225	69.9%	97	30	192	222	176	79.3%	46
Dist Totals	65	772	837	608	72.6%	229	89	519	608	536	88.2%	72
District 12												
Cumberland	368	1,157	1,525	1,016	66.6%	509	116	563	679	596	87.8%	83
Hoke	7	129	136	109	80.1%	27	16	69	85	70	82.4%	15
Dist Totals	375	1,286	1,661	1,125	67.7%	536	132	632	764	666	87.2%	98
District 13												
Bladen	53	204	257	99	38.5%	158	32	112	144	93	64.6%	51
Brunswick	140	272	412	234	56.8%	178	37	111	148	80	54.1%	68
Columbus	59	233	292	192	65.8%	100	56	187	243	177	72.8%	66
Dist Totals	252	709	961	525	54.6%	436	125	410	535	350	65.4%	185
District 14												
Durham	631	1,309	1,940	1,469	75.7%	471	234	431	665	454	68.3%	211
District 15A												
Alamance	317	1,139	1,456	1,003	68.9%	453	277	610	887	663	74.7%	224
District 15B												
Chatham	46	84	130	98	75.4%	32	9	51	60	38	63.3%	22
Orange	137	376	513	410	79.9%	103	21	73	94	73	77.7%	21
Dist Totals	183	460	643	508	79.0%	135	30	124	154	111	72.1%	43
District 16												
Robeson	263	1,227	1,490	1,147	77.0%	343	208	692	900	652	72.4%	248
Scotland	196	340	536	417	77.8%	119	206	354	560	337	60.2%	223
Dist Totals	459	1,567	2,026	1,564	77.2%	462	414	1,046	1,460	989	67.7%	471
District 17A												
Caswell	6	112	118	114	96.6%	4	17	112	129	116	89.9%	13
Rockingham	79	661	740	626	84.6%	114	103	644	747	650	87.0%	97
Dist Totals	85	773	858	740	86.2%	118	120	756	876	766	87.4%	110
District 17B												
Stokes	40	266	306	259	84.6%	47	36	195	231	201	87.0%	30
Surry	79	430	509	462	90.8%	47	63	498	561	485	86.5%	76
Dist Totals	119	696	815	721	88.5%	94	99	693	792	686	86.6%	106

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District 18												
Guilford	1,388	3,380	4,768	2,996	62.8%	1,772	319	766	1,085	787	72.5%	298
District 19A												
Cabarrus	203	718	921	626	68.0%	295	297	760	1,057	776	73.4%	281
Rowan	103	741	844	721	85.4%	123	159	533	692	560	80.9%	132
Dist Totals	306	1,459	1,765	1,347	76.3%	418	456	1,293	1,749	1,336	76.4%	413
District 19B												
Montgomery	106	487	593	212	35.8%	381	133	429	562	353	62.8%	209
Randolph	228	558	786	566	72.0%	220	287	1,108	1,395	1,113	79.8%	282
Dist Totals	334	1,045	1,379	778	56.4%	601	420	1,537	1,957	1,466	74.9%	491
District 20												
Anson	30	222	252	165	65.5%	87	53	258	311	205	65.9%	106
Moore	118	547	665	583	87.7%	82	57	439	496	397	80.0%	99
Richmond	247	456	703	571	81.2%	132	156	387	543	370	68.1%	173
Stanly	77	437	514	416	80.9%	98	62	300	362	277	76.5%	85
Union	43	687	730	604	82.7%	126	99	540	639	517	80.9%	122
Dist Totals	515	2,349	2,864	2,339	81.7%	525	427	1,924	2,351	1,766	75.1%	585
District 21												
Forsyth	332	1,924	2,256	1,943	86.1%	313	227	2,168	2,395	2,086	87.1%	309
District 22												
Alexander	50	51	101	86	85.1%	15	21	149	170	138	81.2%	32
Davidson	129	293	422	314	74.4%	108	124	521	645	508	78.8%	137
Davie	31	37	68	59	86.8%	9	38	170	208	160	76.9%	48
Iredell	175	341	516	422	81.8%	94	246	672	918	749	81.6%	169
Dist Totals	385	722	1,107	881	79.6%	226	429	1,512	1,941	1,555	80.1%	386
District 23												
Alleghany	24	21	45	32	71.1%	13	7	35	42	21	50.0%	21
Ashe	17	109	126	75	59.5%	51	31	35	66	47	71.2%	19
Wilkes	92	215	307	186	60.6%	121	99	339	438	322	73.5%	116
Yadkin	52	134	186	164	88.2%	22	46	140	186	157	84.4%	29
Dist Totals	185	479	664	457	68.8%	207	183	549	732	547	74.7%	185
District 24												
Avery	19	74	93	75	80.6%	18	12	24	36	28	77.8%	8
Madison	30	112	142	65	45.8%	77	14	24	38	21	55.3%	17
Mitchell	18	122	140	85	60.7%	55	27	40	67	59	88.1%	8
Watauga	92	244	336	258	76.8%	78	36	80	116	99	85.3%	17
Yancey	21	64	85	44	51.8%	41	5	18	23	10	43.5%	13
Dist Totals	180	616	796	527	66.2%	269	94	186	280	217	77.5%	63
District 25												
Burke	176	425	601	294	48.9%	307	189	469	658	402	61.1%	256
Caldwell	243	452	695	507	72.9%	188	175	469	644	457	71.0%	187
Catawba	366	888	1,254	890	71.0%	364	246	778	1,024	664	64.8%	360
Dist Totals	785	1,765	2,550	1,691	66.3%	859	610	1,716	2,326	1,523	65.5%	803
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,137	3,332	4,469	2,961	66.3%	1,508	501	1,596	2,097	1,456	69.4%	641

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District 27A												
Gaston	205	1,115	1,320	1,045	79.2%	275	200	872	1,072	791	73.8%	281
District 27B												
Cleveland	279	628	907	694	76.5%	213	101	410	511	391	76.5%	120
Lincoln	70	313	383	258	67.4%	125	56	190	246	194	78.9%	52
Dist Totals	349	941	1,290	952	73.8%	338	157	600	757	585	77.3%	172
District 28												
Buncombe	270	1,090	1,360	901	66.3%	459	65	279	344	298	86.6%	46
District 29												
Henderson	132	424	556	441	79.3%	115	64	252	316	250	79.1%	66
McDowell	76	259	335	296	88.4%	39	25	131	156	124	79.5%	32
Polk	59	52	111	70	63.1%	41	24	51	75	48	64.0%	27
Rutherford	163	423	586	429	73.2%	157	104	304	408	305	74.8%	103
Transylvania	79	121	200	137	68.5%	63	30	77	107	93	86.9%	14
Dist Totals	509	1,279	1,788	1,373	76.8%	415	247	815	1,062	820	77.2%	242
District 30												
Cherokee	63	56	119	40	33.6%	79	47	53	100	20	20.0%	80
Clay	55	43	98	62	63.3%	36	5	5	10	8	80.0%	2
Graham	66	35	101	85	84.2%	16	61	54	115	96	83.5%	19
Haywood	183	382	565	394	69.7%	171	97	197	294	203	69.0%	91
Jackson	31	115	146	101	69.2%	45	9	52	61	45	73.8%	16
Macon	42	89	131	93	71.0%	38	24	61	85	56	65.9%	29
Swain	30	89	119	62	52.1%	57	29	45	74	52	70.3%	22
Dist Totals	470	809	1,279	837	65.4%	442	272	467	739	480	65.0%	259
State Totals	14,534	44,980	59,514	43,402	72.9%	16,112	8,552	31,199	39,751	30,598	77.0%	9,153

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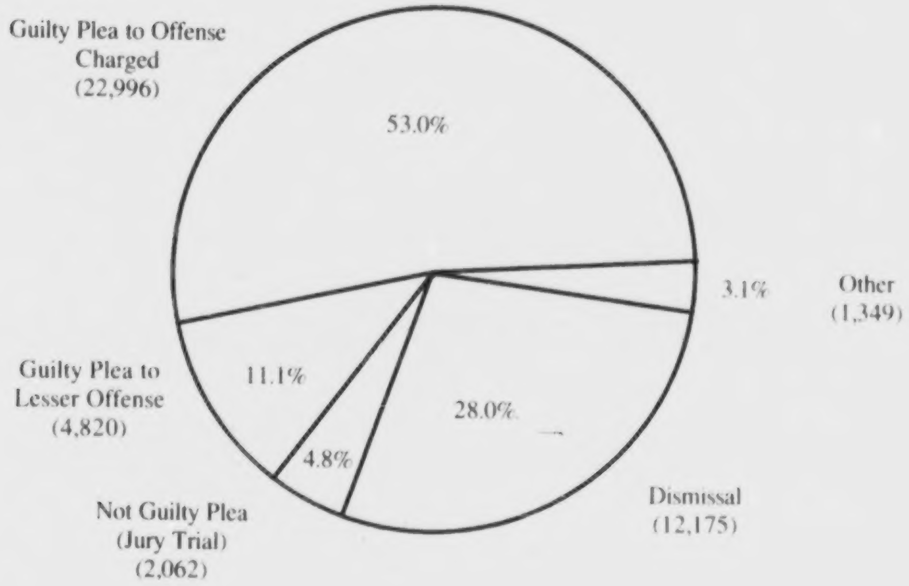

Guilty pleas continue to account for more than 60% of all superior court felony dispositions, with the overwhelming majority of these being guilty pleas to the offense as charged. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals. "Other" dispositions, i.e. those which do not fall into the specific categories given on this chart, may include change of venue, dismissal by the court, no true bill, dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants, and dispositions of probation violations from other counties.

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District 1										
Camden	6	6	0	17	2	0	0	1	32	25
Chowan	9	5	5	12	23	0	0	2	56	18
Currituck	42	3	3	10	15	0	0	3	76	1
Dare	81	4	20	21	29	0	0	39	194	71
Gates	11	14	4	9	1	0	0	0	39	24
Pasquotank	81	29	21	49	23	0	0	3	206	129
Perquimans	12	2	10	22	3	0	0	1	50	8
District Totals	242	63	63	140	96	0	0	49	653	276
% of Total	37.1%	9.6%	9.6%	21.4%	14.7%	0.0%	0.0%	7.5%	100.0%	42.3%
District 2										
Beaufort	215	33	18	35	11	0	0	28	340	218
Hyde	20	6	3	3	0	0	0	2	34	29
Martin	64	34	9	9	1	0	0	2	119	87
Tyrrell	13	3	4	3	0	0	0	1	24	16
Washington	23	18	2	9	0	0	0	1	53	33
District Totals	335	94	36	59	12	0	0	34	570	383
% of Total	58.8%	16.5%	6.3%	10.4%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	100.0%	67.2%
District 3										
Carteret	146	37	7	121	31	0	0	10	352	141
Craven	248	46	17	194	1	0	0	9	515	420
Pamlico	16	14	0	7	3	0	0	3	43	32
Pitt	164	414	36	196	42	0	0	20	872	689
District Totals	574	511	60	518	77	0	0	42	1,782	1,282
% of Total	32.2%	28.7%	3.4%	29.1%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	100.0%	71.9%
District 4										
Duplin	83	128	42	161	28	0	0	7	449	335
Jones	30	8	3	38	0	0	0	2	81	71
Onslow	591	0	26	262	10	0	0	19	908	482
Sampson	205	1	18	69	2	0	0	3	298	229
District Totals	909	137	89	530	40	0	0	31	1,736	1,117
% of Total	52.4%	7.9%	5.1%	30.5%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	64.3%
District 5										
New Hanover	1,308	146	67	356	63	0	0	32	1,972	0
Pender	27	18	7	7	1	0	0	5	65	30
District Totals	1,335	164	74	363	64	0	0	37	2,037	30
% of Total	65.5%	8.1%	3.6%	17.8%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	1.5%
District 6										
Bertie	35	31	4	47	2	0	0	4	123	111
Halifax	85	81	19	99	2	0	0	11	297	250
Hertford	56	21	6	68	0	0	0	1	152	108
Northampton	41	13	13	23	0	0	0	8	98	70
District Totals	217	146	42	237	4	0	0	24	670	539
% of Total	32.4%	21.8%	6.3%	35.4%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	3.6%	100.0%	80.4%
District 7										
Edgecombe	131	72	21	96	2	0	0	35	357	238
Nash	177	87	12	115	2	0	0	19	412	236
Wilson	281	61	13	83	0	0	0	14	452	389
District Totals	589	220	46	294	4	0	0	68	1,221	863
% of Total	48.2%	18.0%	3.8%	24.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%	100.0%	70.7%
District 8										
Greene	3	40	2	13	0	0	0	2	60	42
Lenoir	137	55	37	98	5	0	0	2	334	241
Wayne	220	165	63	151	19	0	0	18	636	455
District Totals	360	260	102	262	24	0	0	22	1,030	738
% of Total	35.0%	25.2%	9.9%	25.4%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	100.0%	71.7%

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District 9										
Franklin	103	30	8	54	1	0	0	9	205	160
Granville	115	54	13	90	11	0	0	17	300	170
Person	64	44	10	51	0	0	0	11	180	108
Vance	147	107	7	129	3	0	0	3	396	331
Warren	21	17	1	4	8	0	0	15	66	46
District Totals	450	252	39	328	23	0	0	55	1,147	815
% of Total	39.2%	22.0%	3.4%	28.6%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.8%	100.0%	71.1%
District 10										
Wake	1,964	125	40	788	313	0	0	35	3,265	2,060
% of Total	60.2%	3.8%	1.2%	24.1%	9.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	100.0%	63.1%
District 11										
Harnett	67	17	15	36	0	0	0	1	136	85
Johnston	168	34	11	27	2	0	0	5	247	202
Lee	113	49	15	44	3	0	0	1	225	185
District Totals	348	100	41	107	5	0	0	7	608	472
% of Total	57.2%	16.4%	6.7%	17.6%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	100.0%	77.6%
District 12										
Cumberland	667	85	57	110	33	0	0	64	1,016	651
Hoke	92	3	4	2	0	0	0	8	109	80
District Totals	759	88	61	112	33	0	0	72	1,125	731
% of Total	67.5%	7.8%	5.4%	10.0%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	6.4%	100.0%	65.0%
District 13										
Bladen	39	23	9	18	2	0	0	8	99	68
Brunswick	127	13	13	74	3	0	0	4	234	191
Columbus	81	27	30	42	4	0	1	7	192	106
District Totals	247	63	52	134	9	0	1	19	525	365
% of Total	47.0%	12.0%	9.9%	25.5%	1.7%	0.0%	0.2%	3.6%	100.0%	69.5%
District 14										
Durham	884	2	81	440	43	0	0	19	1,469	885
% of Total	60.2%	0.1%	5.5%	30.0%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	100.0%	60.2%
District 15A										
Alamance	648	91	67	155	19	0	0	23	1,003	721
% of Total	64.6%	9.1%	6.7%	15.5%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	100.0%	71.9%
District 15B										
Chatham	40	16	13	9	0	0	0	20	98	72
Orange	215	17	17	151	1	0	0	9	410	294
District Totals	255	33	30	160	1	0	0	29	508	366
% of Total	50.2%	6.5%	5.9%	31.5%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	5.7%	100.0%	72.0%
District 16										
Robeson	899	0	113	68	6	0	0	61	1,147	193
Scotland	328	37	25	10	7	0	0	10	417	138
District Totals	1,227	37	138	78	13	0	0	71	1,564	331
% of Total	78.5%	2.4%	8.8%	5.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	100.0%	21.2%
District 17A										
Caswell	47	32	2	31	0	0	0	2	114	1
Rockingham	310	141	29	78	32	1	0	35	626	446
District Totals	357	173	31	109	32	1	0	37	740	447
% of Total	48.2%	23.4%	4.2%	14.7%	4.3%	0.1%	0.0%	5.0%	100.0%	60.4%
District 17B										
Stokes	178	34	5	31	5	0	0	6	259	27
Surry	345	33	23	31	10	0	0	20	462	200
District Totals	523	67	28	62	15	0	0	26	721	227
% of Total	72.5%	9.3%	3.9%	8.6%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.6%	100.0%	31.5%

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District 18										
Guilford	1,990	0	65	697	146	0	0	98	2,996	1,842
% of Total	66.4%	0.0%	2.2%	23.3%	4.9%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	100.0%	61.5%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	237	144	25	186	11	0	0	23	626	366
Rowan	401	98	24	177	13	0	1	7	721	527
District Totals	638	242	49	363	24	0	1	30	1,347	893
% of Total	47.4%	18.0%	3.6%	26.9%	1.8%	0.0%	0.1%	2.2%	100.0%	66.3%
District 19B										
Montgomery	56	64	3	61	0	0	0	28	212	115
Randolph	383	43	15	85	25	0	0	15	566	391
District Totals	439	107	18	146	25	0	0	43	778	506
% of Total	56.4%	13.8%	2.3%	18.8%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	5.5%	100.0%	65.0%
District 20										
Anson	40	73	4	43	1	0	0	4	165	118
Moore	226	74	11	253	2	0	0	17	583	519
Richmond	193	83	8	282	3	0	0	2	571	519
Stanly	114	84	6	196	8	0	0	8	416	342
Union	131	214	19	226	4	0	0	10	604	515
District Totals	704	528	48	1,000	18	0	0	41	2,339	2,013
% of Total	30.1%	22.6%	2.1%	42.8%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	86.1%
District 21										
Forsyth	1,478	74	34	284	46	0	0	27	1,943	663
% of Total	76.1%	3.8%	1.7%	14.6%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	100.0%	34.1%
District 22										
Alexander	40	15	1	19	0	0	0	11	86	67
Davidson	157	54	18	60	2	0	0	23	314	203
Davie	18	21	2	8	4	0	0	6	59	31
Iredell	171	68	16	100	14	0	0	53	422	209
District Totals	386	158	37	187	20	0	0	93	881	510
% of Total	43.8%	17.9%	4.2%	21.2%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	10.6%	100.0%	57.9%
District 23										
Alleghany	13	1	6	0	1	0	0	11	32	27
Ashe	34	8	15	7	0	0	0	11	75	59
Wilkes	74	29	40	25	1	0	1	16	186	84
Yadkin	121	25	1	14	1	0	0	2	164	145
District Totals	242	63	62	46	3	0	1	40	457	315
% of Total	53.0%	13.8%	13.6%	10.1%	0.7%	0.0%	0.2%	8.8%	100.0%	68.9%
District 24										
Avery	1	16	29	22	7	0	0	0	75	34
Madison	2	11	15	29	3	1	0	4	65	14
Mitchell	26	14	2	38	0	0	0	5	85	63
Watauga	30	76	8	112	20	0	2	10	258	186
Yancey	3	25	0	14	2	0	0	0	44	40
District Totals	62	142	54	215	32	1	2	19	527	337
% of Total	11.8%	26.9%	10.2%	40.8%	6.1%	0.2%	0.4%	3.6%	100.0%	63.9%
District 25										
Burke	84	60	25	116	4	0	0	5	294	233
Caldwell	96	137	19	213	23	0	1	18	507	308
Catawba	437	66	43	307	11	0	13	13	890	661
District Totals	617	263	87	636	38	0	14	36	1,691	1,202
% of Total	36.5%	15.6%	5.1%	37.6%	2.2%	0.0%	0.8%	2.1%	100.0%	71.1%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	1,731	0	188	906	54	1	0	81	2,961	17
% of Total	58.5%	0.0%	6.3%	30.6%	1.8%	.0%	0.0%	2.7%	100.0%	0.6%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 27A										
Gaston	481	0	67	391	58	0	3	45	1,045	468
% of Total	46.0%	0.0%	6.4%	37.4%	5.6%	0.0%	0.3%	4.3%	100.0%	44.8%
District 27B										
Cleveland	269	91	35	281	8	0	2	8	694	547
Lincoln	111	75	15	45	0	0	0	12	258	144
District Totals	380	166	50	326	8	0	2	20	952	691
% of Total	39.9%	17.4%	5.3%	34.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.2%	2.1%	100.0%	72.6%
District 28										
Buncombe	705	7	39	103	26	0	0	21	901	120
% of Total	78.2%	0.8%	4.3%	11.4%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	100.0%	13.3%
District 29										
Henderson	195	41	21	139	35	0	0	10	441	287
McDowell	149	64	12	67	1	0	0	3	296	204
Polk	27	23	2	17	0	0	0	1	70	55
Rutherford	264	58	22	80	1	0	0	4	429	314
Transylvania	77	20	6	27	5	0	0	2	137	100
District Totals	712	206	63	330	42	0	0	20	1,373	960
% of Total	51.9%	15.0%	4.6%	24.0%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	100.0%	69.9%
District 30										
Cherokee	16	1	16	7	0	0	0	0	40	39
Clay	15	41	4	1	0	1	0	0	62	41
Graham	8	10	2	50	14	0	0	1	85	24
Haywood	135	97	29	95	13	4	0	21	394	233
Jackson	6	49	5	28	1	10	0	2	101	46
Macon	19	24	12	27	1	0	0	10	93	46
Swain	9	16	13	23	0	0	0	1	62	33
District Totals	208	238	81	231	29	15	0	35	837	462
% of Total	24.9%	28.4%	9.7%	27.6%	3.5%	1.8%	0.0%	4.2%	100.0%	55.2%
State Totals	22,996	4,820	2,062	10,737	1,396	18	24	1,349	43,402	23,647
% of Total	53.0%	11.1%	4.8%	24.7%	3.2%	.0%	0.1%	3.1%	100.0%	54.5%

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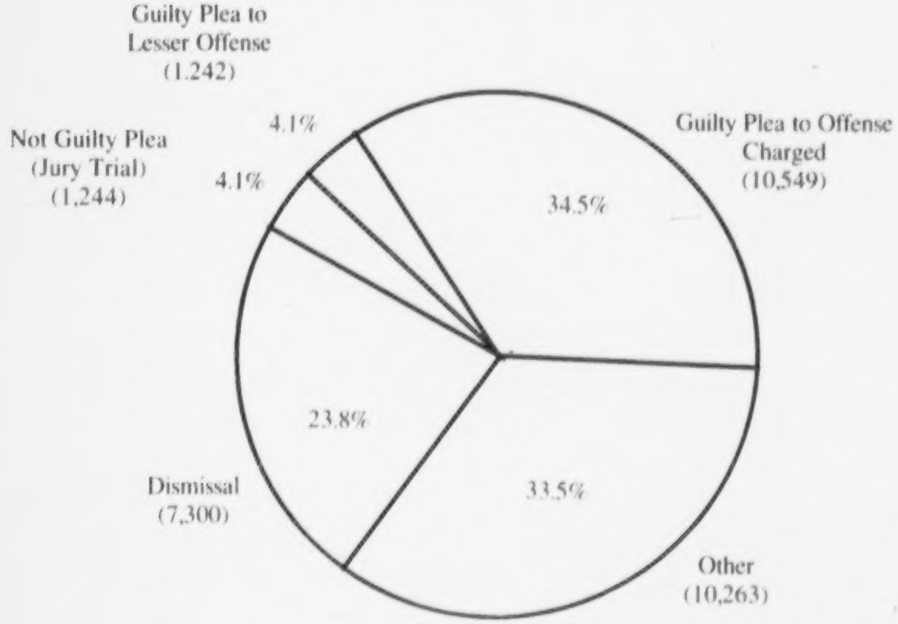

Guilty pleas account for nearly 40% of misdemeanor dispositions in superior court, the overwhelming majority of which are guilty pleas to the offense charged. The "other" category on this chart includes withdrawn appeals, cases remanded to district court for judgment, and other miscellaneous dispositions such as change of venue, dismissal by the court, no true bill, probation violations from other counties, and dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals.

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	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 1										
Camden	25	8	0	11	5	0	0	22	71	11
Chowan	72	0	6	8	10	0	0	92	188	53
Currituck	74	6	5	26	12	0	0	3	126	1
Dare	147	18	24	13	33	0	0	39	274	45
Gates	25	8	1	3	2	0	0	10	49	9
Pasquotank	187	10	20	86	27	0	0	275	605	61
Perquimans	41	7	2	17	0	0	0	36	103	4
District Totals	571	57	58	164	89	0	0	477	1416	184
% of Total	40.3%	4.0%	4.1%	11.6%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	33.7%	100.0%	13.0%
District 2										
Beaufort	116	25	14	23	8	0	0	41	227	38
Hyde	9	4	4	3	0	0	0	9	29	4
Martin	12	8	12	4	0	0	0	24	60	9
Tyrrell	16	1	8	3	0	0	0	9	37	12
Washington	14	6	19	7	0	0	0	43	89	4
District Totals	167	44	57	40	8	0	0	126	442	67
% of Total	37.8%	10.0%	12.9%	9.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	28.5%	100.0%	15.2%
District 3										
Carteret	26	20	7	27	18	0	0	13	111	24
Craven	148	12	16	83	12	0	0	66	337	81
Pamlico	7	1	1	15	0	0	0	5	29	10
Pitt	240	39	35	117	36	0	0	317	784	214
District Totals	421	72	59	242	66	0	0	401	1261	329
% of Total	33.4%	5.7%	4.7%	19.2%	5.2%	0.0%	0.0%	31.8%	100.0%	26.1%
District 4										
Duplin	14	16	3	18	6	0	0	21	78	36
Jones	4	3	3	6	0	0	0	3	19	11
Onslow	97	0	14	73	6	0	0	43	233	52
Sampson	31	0	4	7	1	0	0	7	50	15
District Totals	146	19	24	104	13	0	0	74	380	114
% of Total	38.4%	5.0%	6.3%	27.4%	3.4%	0.0%	0.0%	19.5%	100.0%	30.0%
District 5										
New Hanover	459	15	26	103	63	0	0	110	776	0
Pender	25	15	4	2	1	0	0	7	54	16
District Totals	484	30	30	105	64	0	0	117	830	16
% of Total	58.3%	3.6%	3.6%	12.7%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%	14.1%	100.0%	1.9%
District 6										
Bertie	12	14	7	32	0	0	0	29	94	36
Halifax	81	16	10	35	8	0	0	139	289	78
Hertford	39	6	5	54	0	0	0	24	128	51
Northampton	24	3	1	17	6	0	0	26	77	21
District Totals	156	39	23	138	14	0	0	218	588	186
% of Total	26.5%	6.6%	3.9%	23.5%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	37.1%	100.0%	31.6%
District 7										
Edgecombe	39	20	10	47	12	0	0	72	200	47
Nash	136	18	14	83	8	0	0	134	393	18
Wilson	69	12	8	30	4	0	0	65	188	79
District Totals	244	50	32	160	24	0	0	271	781	144
% of Total	31.2%	6.4%	4.1%	20.5%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	34.7%	100.0%	18.4%
District 8										
Greene	11	6	4	9	0	0	0	48	78	4
Lenoir	128	17	20	95	24	0	0	159	443	156
Wayne	157	52	40	116	48	0	0	246	659	129
District Totals	296	75	64	220	72	0	0	453	1,180	289
% of Total	25.1%	6.4%	5.4%	18.6%	6.1%	0.0%	0.0%	38.4%	100.0%	24.5%

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District 9										
Franklin	44	8	3	27	5	0	0	54	141	50
Granville	68	17	8	44	6	0	0	72	215	66
Person	121	28	17	115	3	0	0	55	339	142
Vance	160	19	8	95	12	0	0	44	338	201
Warren	27	12	4	12	4	0	0	30	89	37
District Totals	420	84	40	293	30	0	0	255	1,122	496
% of Total	37.4%	7.5%	3.6%	26.1%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	22.7%	100.0%	44.2%
District 10										
Wake	447	23	38	209	442	0	1	506	1,664	424
% of Total	26.9%	1.4%	2.3%	12.6%	26.6%	0.0%	0.1%	30.3%	100.0%	25.5%
District 11										
Harnett	25	3	0	24	0	0	0	41	93	27
Johnston	97	13	12	40	3	0	0	102	267	99
Lee	45	6	4	19	5	0	0	97	176	63
District Totals	167	22	16	83	8	0	0	240	536	189
% of Total	31.2%	4.1%	3.0%	15.5%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	44.8%	100.0%	35.3%
District 12										
Cumberland	94	2	28	41	20	0	0	411	596	74
Hoke	41	0	4	11	0	0	0	14	70	33
District Totals	135	2	32	52	20	0	0	425	666	107
% of Total	20.3%	0.3%	4.8%	7.8%	3.0%	0.0%	0.0%	63.8%	100.0%	16.1%
District 13										
Bladen	29	9	8	21	2	0	0	24	93	38
Brunswick	20	3	14	21	0	0	0	22	80	31
Columbus	52	15	15	38	0	0	0	57	177	61
District Totals	101	27	37	80	2	0	0	103	350	130
% of Total	28.9%	7.7%	10.6%	22.9%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	29.4%	100.0%	37.1%
District 14										
Durham	200	0	27	97	13	0	0	117	454	198
% of Total	44.1%	0.0%	5.9%	21.4%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	25.8%	100.0%	43.6%
District 15A										
Alamance	240	13	56	78	11	0	0	265	663	323
% of Total	36.2%	2.0%	8.4%	11.8%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	100.0%	48.7%
District 15B										
Chatham	7	3	0	2	0	0	0	26	38	15
Orange	11	1	3	21	5	0	0	32	73	17
District Totals	18	4	3	23	5	0	0	58	111	32
% of Total	16.2%	3.6%	2.7%	20.7%	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	52.3%	100.0%	28.8%
District 16										
Robeson	289	0	52	38	22	0	6	245	652	75
Scotland	139	3	6	26	36	0	0	127	337	58
District Totals	428	3	58	64	58	0	6	372	989	133
% of Total	43.3%	0.3%	5.9%	6.5%	5.9%	0.0%	0.6%	37.6%	100.0%	13.4%
District 17A										
Caswell	37	26	12	14	0	0	0	27	116	0
Rockingham	332	23	22	77	2	0	1	193	650	325
District Totals	369	49	34	91	2	0	1	220	766	325
% of Total	48.2%	6.4%	4.4%	11.9%	0.3%	0.0%	0.1%	28.7%	100.0%	42.4%
District 17B										
Stokes	78	20	14	23	11	0	0	55	201	5
Surry	204	5	13	13	14	0	0	236	485	71
District Totals	282	25	27	36	25	0	0	291	686	76
% of Total	41.1%	3.6%	3.9%	5.2%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	42.4%	100.0%	11.1%

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District 18										
Guilford	261	0	13	200	52	0	0	261	787	227
% of Total	33.2%	0.0%	1.7%	25.4%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%	33.2%	100.0%	28.8%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	250	43	22	168	39	0	0	254	776	158
Rowan	205	17	15	70	36	0	0	217	560	115
District Totals	455	60	37	238	75	0	0	471	1,336	273
% of Total	34.1%	4.5%	2.8%	17.8%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	35.3%	100.0%	20.4%
District 19B										
Montgomery	95	15	6	104	0	0	0	133	353	93
Randolph	480	29	21	85	95	0	1	402	1,113	331
District Totals	575	44	27	189	95	0	1	535	1,466	424
% of Total	39.2%	3.0%	1.8%	12.9%	6.5%	0.0%	0.1%	36.4%	100.0%	28.9%
District 20										
Anson	62	31	5	69	2	0	0	36	205	85
Moore	144	15	2	117	5	0	0	114	397	236
Richmond	95	30	2	139	15	0	8	81	370	208
Stanly	63	20	7	78	7	0	0	102	277	110
Union	117	72	3	136	13	0	0	176	517	275
District Totals	481	168	19	539	42	0	8	509	1,766	914
% of Total	27.2%	9.5%	1.1%	30.5%	2.4%	0.0%	0.5%	28.8%	100.0%	51.8%
District 21										
Forsyth	1,011	31	36	277	91	0	0	640	2,086	260
% of Total	48.5%	1.5%	1.7%	13.3%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	30.7%	100.0%	12.5%
District 22										
Alexander	30	11	10	25	1	0	0	61	138	24
Davidson	118	21	11	97	34	2	0	225	508	72
Davie	56	8	10	21	3	0	0	62	160	16
Iredell	155	30	29	99	29	2	0	405	749	144
District Totals	359	70	60	242	67	4	0	753	1,555	256
% of Total	23.1%	4.5%	3.9%	15.6%	4.3%	0.3%	0.0%	48.4%	100.0%	16.5%
District 23										
Alleghany	7	1	3	1	0	0	0	9	21	5
Ashe	5	9	6	5	4	0	0	18	47	13
Wilkes	63	6	7	37	15	0	0	194	322	25
Yadkin	54	4	5	23	3	0	0	68	157	52
District Totals	129	20	21	66	22	0	0	289	547	95
% of Total	23.6%	3.7%	3.8%	12.1%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	52.8%	100.0%	17.4%
District 24										
Avery	0	4	4	5	3	0	0	12	28	6
Madison	1	2	5	11	0	0	0	2	21	1
Mitchell	20	5	2	23	0	0	0	9	59	34
Watauga	20	6	12	37	12	0	0	12	99	44
Yancey	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	2	10	3
District Totals	42	20	23	80	15	0	0	37	217	88
% of Total	19.4%	9.2%	10.6%	36.9%	6.9%	0.0%	0.0%	17.1%	100.0%	40.6%
District 25										
Burke	73	20	13	76	20	0	0	200	402	109
Caldwell	162	18	22	102	22	0	1	130	457	143
Catawba	147	31	21	82	3	0	7	373	664	142
District Totals	382	69	56	260	45	0	8	703	1,523	394
% of Total	25.1%	4.5%	3.7%	17.1%	3.0%	0.0%	0.5%	46.2%	100.0%	25.9%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	457	0	67	599	7	0	0	326	1,456	2
% of Total	31.4%	0.0%	4.6%	41.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	22.4%	100.0%	0.1%

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District 27A										
Gaston	209	1	59	251	47	0	5	219	791	182
% of Total	26.4%	0.1%	7.5%	31.7%	5.9%	0.0%	0.6%	27.7%	100.0%	23.0%
District 27B										
Cleveland	168	9	10	100	15	0	0	89	391	148
Lincoln	55	13	15	51	0	0	0	60	194	26
District Totals	223	22	25	151	15	0	0	149	585	174
% of Total	38.1%	3.8%	4.3%	25.8%	2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	25.5%	100.0%	29.7%
District 28										
Buncombe	115	0	9	45	29	0	0	100	298	16
% of Total	38.6%	0.0%	3.0%	15.1%	9.7%	0.0%	0.0%	33.6%	100.0%	5.4%
District 29										
Henderson	126	11	7	36	17	0	0	53	250	98
McDowell	80	5	7	11	4	0	0	17	124	53
Polk	26	1	2	7	0	0	0	12	48	21
Rutherford	135	6	18	56	2	0	0	88	305	132
Transylvania	43	10	17	16	4	0	0	3	93	45
District Totals	410	33	51	126	27	0	0	173	820	349
% of Total	50.0%	4.0%	6.2%	15.4%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	21.1%	100.0%	42.6%
District 30										
Cherokee	16	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	20	14
Clay	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	4
Graham	36	4	6	26	1	0	0	23	96	43
Haywood	55	27	12	46	6	0	0	57	203	64
Jackson	9	19	1	9	0	2	0	5	45	19
Macon	17	5	0	11	12	0	0	11	56	18
Swain	12	6	6	11	0	2	0	15	52	27
District Totals	148	66	26	106	19	4	0	111	480	189
% of Total	30.8%	13.8%	5.4%	22.1%	4.0%	0.8%	0.0%	23.1%	100.0%	39.4%
State Totals	10,549	1,242	1,244	5,648	1,614	8	30	10,263	30,598	7,605
% of Total	34.5%	4.1%	4.1%	18.5%	5.3%	.0%	0.1%	33.5%	100.0%	24.9%

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		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	104.7	105.0
	Mis	7	4	6	4	0	0	21	124.3	110.0
Chowan	Fel	8	0	0	1	0	0	9	55.6	28.0
	Mis	14	3	1	3	1	0	22	108.7	69.0
Currituck	Fel	7	4	2	0	0	0	13	79.9	75.0
	Mis	15	2	3	5	0	0	25	108.0	77.0
Dare	Fel	32	8	25	10	2	1	78	148.3	115.0
	Mis	51	3	11	10	7	0	82	126.4	65.0
Gates	Fel	5	2	0	2	1	0	10	128.2	78.5
	Mis	29	2	8	3	0	0	42	88.0	59.0
Pasquotank	Fel	47	5	9	1	9	0	71	105.0	63.0
	Mis	80	18	19	13	1	0	131	85.6	63.0
Perquimans	Fel	2	0	4	3	0	0	9	148.7	147.0
	Mis	11	7	10	6	7	0	41	192.5	124.0
Dist Totals	Fel	101	25	40	17	12	1	196	121.5	88.0
% of Total		51.5%	12.8%	20.4%	8.7%	6.1%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	207	39	58	44	16	0	364	112.3	70.0
% of Total		56.9%	10.7%	15.9%	12.1%	4.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	113	17	3	13	9	5	160	123.6	33.0
	Mis	47	0	20	7	1	0	75	95.6	68.0
Hyde	Fel	0	0	10	1	4	14	29	707.2	595.0
	Mis	4	1	3	5	0	2	15	371.6	161.0
Martin	Fel	8	0	1	2	2	0	13	121.8	26.0
	Mis	11	3	1	5	0	0	20	99.6	69.0
Tyrrell	Fel	14	1	2	0	0	0	17	63.6	63.0
	Mis	8	0	0	1	0	0	9	67.0	33.0
Washington	Fel	7	1	1	2	0	0	11	94.0	49.0
	Mis	9	7	1	1	2	0	20	124.4	104.0
Dist Totals	Fel	142	19	17	18	15	19	230	191.3	33.0
% of Total		61.7%	8.3%	7.4%	7.8%	6.5%	8.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	79	11	25	19	3	2	139	128.2	77.0
% of Total		56.8%	7.9%	18.0%	13.7%	2.2%	1.4%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	31	1	21	16	3	0	72	139.3	147.0
	Mis	42	7	15	15	7	0	86	121.6	103.5
Craven	Fel	56	21	13	15	19	3	127	168.9	112.0
	Mis	31	3	10	3	1	0	48	83.8	73.0
Pamlico	Fel	12	0	4	1	2	0	19	134.9	77.0
	Mis	5	1	0	0	0	0	6	80.0	87.0
Pitt	Fel	92	17	24	10	4	0	147	90.7	53.0
	Mis	92	3	25	15	1	0	136	87.1	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	191	39	62	42	28	3	365	129.8	83.0
% of Total		52.3%	10.7%	17.0%	11.5%	7.7%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	170	14	50	33	9	0	276	97.1	56.0
% of Total		61.6%	5.1%	18.1%	12.0%	3.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	44	6	0	0	0	0	50	36.6	11.0
	Mis	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	19.2	5.0
Jones	Fel	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	98.0	98.0
	Mis	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	77.0	77.0
Onslow	Fel	165	10	8	0	0	0	183	49.0	47.0
	Mis	42	1	0	0	0	0	43	33.1	33.0
Sampson	Fel	30	0	0	0	0	0	30	35.1	21.0
	Mis	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	25.0	25.0
Dist Totals	Fel	239	18	8	0	0	0	265	45.5	45.0
% of Total		90.2%	6.8%	3.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	56	1	0	0	0	0	57	30.8	33.0
% of Total		98.2%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	217	25	50	47	11	1	351	118.3	83.0
	Mis	117	6	24	14	11	0	172	104.2	57.0
Pender	Fel	17	1	5	1	2	1	27	139.3	56.0
	Mis	3	1	5	4	1	0	14	173.4	131.5
Dist Totals	Fel	234	26	55	48	13	2	378	119.8	83.0
% of Total		61.9%	6.9%	14.6%	12.7%	3.4%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	120	7	29	18	12	0	186	109.4	62.5
% of Total		64.5%	3.8%	15.6%	9.7%	6.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	6	2	5	0	0	0	13	100.4	102.0
	Mis	23	2	1	2	0	0	28	71.2	74.0
Halifax	Fel	72	5	10	31	2	2	122	126.2	84.0
	Mis	71	6	11	19	7	2	116	125.6	66.0
Hertford	Fel	16	0	0	0	4	0	20	114.2	27.5
	Mis	18	1	4	7	1	0	31	112.8	59.0
Northampton	Fel	30	8	15	3	0	1	57	95.1	63.0
	Mis	8	1	2	7	1	0	19	154.3	130.0
Dist Totals	Fel	124	15	30	34	6	3	212	115.1	63.0
% of Total		58.5%	7.1%	14.2%	16.0%	2.8%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	120	10	18	35	9	2	194	118.5	72.0
% of Total		61.9%	5.2%	9.3%	18.0%	4.6%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	48	3	1	0	1	0	53	34.5	7.0
	Mis	20	2	4	0	3	0	29	91.3	54.0
Nash	Fel	94	2	15	1	0	0	112	62.5	47.0
	Mis	17	5	2	1	3	1	29	154.6	88.0
Wilson	Fel	36	6	3	5	2	0	52	98.4	66.5
	Mis	61	3	4	1	9	1	79	90.3	21.0
Dist Totals	Fel	178	11	19	6	3	0	217	64.2	42.0
% of Total		82.0%	5.1%	8.8%	2.8%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	98	10	10	2	15	2	137	104.2	26.0
% of Total		71.5%	7.3%	7.3%	1.5%	10.9%	1.5%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	16	0	11	1	1	0	29	98.1	76.0
	Mis	21	5	3	1	0	0	30	61.8	55.5
Lenoir	Fel	37	11	4	7	0	0	59	97.7	84.0
	Mis	76	18	9	3	0	0	106	68.3	63.0
Wayne	Fel	127	27	29	4	0	0	187	83.1	84.0
	Mis	85	22	21	11	0	0	139	81.9	56.0
Dist Totals	Fel	180	38	44	12	1	0	275	87.8	84.0
% of Total		65.5%	13.8%	16.0%	4.4%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	182	45	33	15	0	0	275	74.4	62.0
% of Total		66.2%	16.4%	12.0%	5.5%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	25	8	1	3	3	0	40	89.6	42.0
	Mis	19	7	2	5	9	6	48	352.6	119.0
Granville	Fel	29	14	2	20	15	12	92	467.2	182.0
	Mis	34	12	11	27	20	2	106	238.2	153.0
Person	Fel	14	3	0	6	3	8	34	328.9	167.5
	Mis	39	11	9	18	8	1	86	165.2	102.0
Vance	Fel	65	24	12	16	6	6	129	208.2	84.0
	Mis	69	17	9	10	9	4	118	140.1	62.0
Warren	Fel	21	0	6	4	4	0	35	128.1	75.0
	Mis	14	11	0	4	2	0	31	112.3	96.0
Dist Totals	Fel	154	49	21	49	31	26	330	270.0	98.0
% of Total		46.7%	14.8%	6.4%	14.8%	9.4%	7.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	175	58	31	64	48	13	389	193.4	96.0
% of Total		45.0%	14.9%	8.0%	16.5%	12.3%	3.3%	100.0%		

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District 10										
Wake	Fel	954	149	244	350	286	100	2,083	208.0	109.0
% of Total		45.8%	7.2%	11.7%	16.8%	13.7%	4.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	256	51	43	61	30	1	442	116.6	62.0
% of Total		57.9%	11.5%	9.7%	13.8%	6.8%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	56	5	1	0	0	1	63	62.5	32.0
	Mis	8	1	0	1	0	0	10	55.1	42.0
Johnston	Fel	61	2	4	2	0	0	69	55.2	33.0
	Mis	16	0	0	0	0	0	16	31.0	25.0
Lee	Fel	73	12	4	8	0	0	97	55.0	46.0
	Mis	32	2	8	4	0	0	46	85.2	67.0
Dist Totals	Fel	190	19	9	10	0	1	229	57.1	32.0
% of Total		83.0%	8.3%	3.9%	4.4%	0.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	56	3	8	5	0	0	72	69.0	62.0
% of Total		77.8%	4.2%	11.1%	6.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	262	65	69	82	28	3	509	123.3	76.0
	Mis	47	12	3	20	1	0	83	111.6	77.0
Hoke	Fel	24	0	3	0	0	0	27	58.3	49.0
	Mis	9	0	4	2	0	0	15	118.1	52.0
Dist Totals	Fel	286	65	72	82	28	3	536	120.0	76.0
% of Total		53.4%	12.1%	13.4%	15.3%	5.2%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	56	12	7	22	1	0	98	112.6	77.0
% of Total		57.1%	12.2%	7.1%	22.4%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	101	32	4	7	11	3	158	136.4	82.0
	Mis	35	6	4	2	3	1	51	112.1	60.0
Brunswick	Fel	81	27	16	38	11	5	178	164.8	96.0
	Mis	37	14	5	12	0	0	68	100.1	64.5
Columbus	Fel	49	9	27	5	5	5	100	165.9	96.0
	Mis	32	9	17	3	3	2	66	132.8	105.0
Dist Totals	Fel	231	68	47	50	27	13	436	154.8	82.0
% of Total		53.0%	15.6%	10.8%	11.5%	6.2%	3.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	104	29	26	17	6	3	185	115.1	80.0
% of Total		56.2%	15.7%	14.1%	9.2%	3.2%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	221	36	58	101	30	25	471	189.3	104.0
% of Total		46.9%	7.6%	12.3%	21.4%	6.4%	5.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	111	9	15	26	23	27	211	269.5	82.0
% of Total		52.6%	4.3%	7.1%	12.3%	10.9%	12.8%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	332	14	44	59	4	0	453	81.3	41.0
% of Total		73.3%	3.1%	9.7%	13.0%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	153	11	22	31	7	0	224	93.5	66.0
% of Total		68.3%	4.9%	9.8%	13.8%	3.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	7	2	16	5	2	0	32	162.9	159.0
	Mis	13	2	2	5	0	0	22	104.7	60.0
Orange	Fel	48	13	10	29	3	0	103	129.8	94.0
	Mis	12	6	2	0	1	0	21	96.7	74.0
Dist Totals	Fel	55	15	26	34	5	0	135	137.6	118.0
% of Total		40.7%	11.1%	19.3%	25.2%	3.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	25	8	4	5	1	0	43	100.8	74.0
% of Total		58.1%	18.6%	9.3%	11.6%	2.3%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 16										
Robeson	Fel	223	32	48	25	11	4	343	105.5	60.0
	Mis	152	13	27	25	28	3	248	129.9	60.0
Scotland	Fel	48	12	30	16	10	3	119	160.0	118.0
	Mis	47	13	39	52	68	4	223	257.1	245.0
Dist Totals	Fel	271	44	78	41	21	7	462	119.5	78.0
% of Total		58.7%	9.5%	16.9%	8.9%	4.5%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	199	26	66	77	96	7	471	190.1	129.0
% of Total		42.3%	5.5%	14.0%	16.3%	20.4%	1.5%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	29.3	23.0
	Mis	12	0	1	0	0	0	13	47.8	34.0
Rockingham	Fel	84	11	17	1	1	0	114	60.2	21.0
	Mis	78	11	4	4	0	0	97	61.1	56.0
Dist Totals	Fel	88	11	17	1	1	0	118	59.2	21.0
% of Total		74.6%	9.3%	14.4%	0.8%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	90	11	5	4	0	0	110	59.5	56.0
% of Total		81.8%	10.0%	4.5%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	23	16	1	7	0	0	47	92.5	96.0
	Mis	20	2	1	7	0	0	30	79.6	52.0
Surry	Fel	34	3	4	2	0	4	47	188.3	49.0
	Mis	62	1	7	6	0	0	76	64.2	47.5
Dist Totals	Fel	57	19	5	9	0	4	94	140.4	70.0
% of Total		60.6%	20.2%	5.3%	9.6%	0.0%	4.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	82	3	8	13	0	0	106	68.6	48.0
% of Total		77.4%	2.8%	7.5%	12.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	747	192	193	246	176	218	1,772	259.9	117.0
% of Total		42.2%	10.8%	10.9%	13.9%	9.9%	12.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	127	15	36	51	26	43	298	287.0	124.0
% of Total		42.6%	5.0%	12.1%	17.1%	8.7%	14.4%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	200	14	46	15	17	3	295	113.8	69.0
	Mis	217	27	21	10	6	0	281	71.5	47.0
Rowan	Fel	93	2	6	18	2	2	123	120.3	34.0
	Mis	86	12	20	9	5	0	132	92.4	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	293	16	52	33	19	5	418	115.7	56.0
% of Total		70.1%	3.8%	12.4%	7.9%	4.5%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	303	39	41	19	11	0	413	78.1	47.0
% of Total		73.4%	9.4%	9.9%	4.6%	2.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	326	1	9	14	28	3	381	90.2	39.0
	Mis	99	14	26	35	23	12	209	200.9	97.0
Randolph	Fel	113	18	22	47	13	7	220	165.3	85.5
	Mis	168	48	30	28	6	2	282	101.1	83.0
Dist Totals	Fel	439	19	31	61	41	10	601	117.7	41.0
% of Total		73.0%	3.2%	5.2%	10.1%	6.8%	1.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	267	62	56	63	29	14	491	143.5	84.0
% of Total		54.4%	12.6%	11.4%	12.8%	5.9%	2.9%	100.0%		

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District 20										
Anson	Fel	39	4	31	10	3	0	87	127.0	131.0
	Mis	52	10	30	10	4	0	106	107.8	99.5
Moore	Fel	58	8	9	7	0	0	82	74.9	47.0
	Mis	68	11	14	4	2	0	99	77.8	40.0
Richmond	Fel	78	11	19	10	14	0	132	111.6	57.5
	Mis	103	24	16	16	14	0	173	113.0	82.0
Stanly	Fel	61	2	20	15	0	0	98	94.0	52.5
	Mis	72	3	1	9	0	0	85	75.9	73.0
Union	Fel	61	5	29	20	4	7	126	181.6	101.0
	Mis	55	7	11	26	15	8	122	205.9	97.5
Dist Totals	Fel	297	30	108	62	21	7	525	121.9	73.0
% of Total		56.6%	5.7%	20.6%	11.8%	4.0%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	350	55	72	65	35	8	585	120.1	73.0
% of Total		59.8%	9.4%	12.3%	11.1%	6.0%	1.4%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	211	44	46	12	0	0	313	70.0	60.0
% of Total		67.4%	14.1%	14.7%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	281	12	10	5	1	0	309	47.3	33.0
% of Total		90.9%	3.9%	3.2%	1.6%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	7	2	4	1	1	0	15	110.5	111.0
	Mis	24	2	4	1	1	0	32	68.7	55.0
Davidson	Fel	56	9	26	11	4	2	108	142.8	90.0
	Mis	112	11	4	9	1	0	137	52.7	10.0
Davie	Fel	7	0	2	0	0	0	9	45.8	14.0
	Mis	33	0	5	10	0	0	48	85.7	56.0
Iredell	Fel	25	16	12	21	13	7	94	226.0	154.0
	Mis	108	23	14	22	2	0	169	89.3	49.0
Dist Totals	Fel	95	27	44	33	18	9	226	171.4	109.5
% of Total		42.0%	11.9%	19.5%	14.6%	8.0%	4.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	277	36	27	42	4	0	386	74.2	49.0
% of Total		71.8%	9.3%	7.0%	10.9%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	5	0	4	2	2	0	13	168.0	153.0
	Mis	14	1	4	1	1	0	21	89.5	56.0
Ashe	Fel	8	7	26	7	3	0	51	173.3	151.0
	Mis	4	5	1	7	2	0	19	184.8	123.0
Wilkes	Fel	39	16	39	14	12	1	121	165.2	129.0
	Mis	51	17	21	11	16	0	116	147.4	108.0
Yadkin	Fel	13	0	7	2	0	0	22	101.1	75.0
	Mis	13	0	4	9	3	0	29	173.3	131.0
Dist Totals	Fel	65	23	76	25	17	1	207	160.5	130.0
% of Total		31.4%	11.1%	36.7%	12.1%	8.2%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	82	23	30	28	22	0	185	148.7	108.0
% of Total		44.3%	12.4%	16.2%	15.1%	11.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	4	0	7	2	2	3	18	343.5	151.0
	Mis	3	0	0	2	0	3	8	519.8	221.5
Madison	Fel	35	0	16	21	5	0	77	159.9	166.0
	Mis	6	1	0	9	0	1	17	256.7	291.0
Mitchell	Fel	28	0	19	8	0	0	55	132.4	74.0
	Mis	1	0	5	2	0	0	8	165.3	144.0
Watauga	Fel	32	3	31	10	1	1	78	132.8	129.0
	Mis	5	7	4	0	1	0	17	110.8	104.0
Yancey	Fel	18	2	11	1	9	0	41	205.6	131.0
	Mis	8	1	3	1	0	0	13	89.2	82.0
Dist Totals	Fel	117	5	84	42	17	4	269	165.7	132.0
% of Total		43.5%	1.9%	31.2%	15.6%	6.3%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	23	9	12	14	1	4	63	204.6	118.0
% of Total		36.5%	14.3%	19.0%	22.2%	1.6%	6.3%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	149	13	35	54	46	10	307	195.6	112.0
	Mis	119	27	34	40	17	19	256	190.9	102.0
Caldwell	Fel	117	14	14	16	26	1	188	138.7	48.0
	Mis	117	36	16	13	5	0	187	81.6	69.0
Catawba	Fel	126	103	80	46	9	0	364	116.4	98.0
	Mis	184	47	48	54	26	1	360	131.1	90.0
Dist Totals	Fel	392	130	129	116	81	11	859	149.6	98.0
% of Total		45.6%	15.1%	15.0%	13.5%	9.4%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	420	110	98	107	48	20	803	138.6	89.0
% of Total		52.3%	13.7%	12.2%	13.3%	6.0%	2.5%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	774	176	332	166	49	11	1,508	116.4	82.5
% of Total		51.3%	11.7%	22.0%	11.0%	3.2%	0.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	308	84	142	78	19	10	641	130.0	98.0
% of Total		48.0%	13.1%	22.2%	12.2%	3.0%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	211	35	12	12	4	1	275	75.7	27.0
% of Total		76.7%	12.7%	4.4%	4.4%	1.5%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	182	19	24	28	16	12	281	132.4	34.0
% of Total		64.8%	6.8%	8.5%	10.0%	5.7%	4.3%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	167	10	17	14	3	2	213	83.6	42.0
	Mis	65	11	12	31	1	0	120	113.9	84.5
Lincoln	Fel	80	3	17	20	5	0	125	105.8	53.0
	Mis	26	6	9	9	1	1	52	130.5	92.0
Dist Totals	Fel	247	13	34	34	8	2	338	91.8	46.0
% of Total		73.1%	3.8%	10.1%	10.1%	2.4%	0.6%	100.0%	118.9	87
	Mis	91	17	21	40	2	1	172		
% of Total		52.9%	9.9%	12.2%	23.3%	1.2%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	338	34	53	15	3	16	459	96.6	63.0
% of Total		73.6%	7.4%	11.5%	3.3%	0.7%	3.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	28	5	3	9	1	0	46	106.5	61.5
% of Total		60.9%	10.9%	6.5%	19.6%	2.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	64	36	3	11	1	0	115	89.3	63.0
	Mis	35	10	4	16	1	0	66	118.4	82.0
McDowell	Fel	23	0	10	1	5	0	39	132.8	75.0
	Mis	17	4	3	6	2	0	32	115.3	63.0
Polk	Fel	14	1	6	9	11	0	41	228.2	154.0
	Mis	6	8	5	4	1	3	27	285.6	119.0
Rutherford	Fel	77	29	11	20	17	3	157	148.2	97.0
	Mis	61	9	11	9	6	7	103	160.4	67.0
Transylvania	Fel	6	14	9	8	13	13	63	416.9	193.0
	Mis	1	3	1	4	1	4	14	376.7	308.5
Dist Totals	Fel	184	80	39	49	47	16	415	179.1	97.0
% of Total		44.3%	19.3%	9.4%	11.8%	11.3%	3.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	120	34	24	39	11	14	242	169.5	94.0
% of Total		49.6%	14.0%	9.9%	16.1%	4.5%	5.8%	100.0%		

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District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	0	12	4	24	33	6	79	382.2	297.0
	Mis	0	3	11	39	25	2	80	336.8	249.0
Clay	Fel	7	1	2	6	20	0	36	383.5	441.0
	Mis	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	253.0	253.0
Graham	Fel	10	0	0	0	2	4	16	270.4	84.0
	Mis	6	3	0	4	1	5	19	337.1	294.0
Haywood	Fel	37	6	18	53	14	43	171	367.9	299.0
	Mis	48	5	18	15	5	0	91	118.3	68.0
Jackson	Fel	30	0	4	2	0	9	45	201.4	39.0
	Mis	8	3	1	3	0	1	16	176.4	100.5
Macon	Fel	6	4	4	13	10	1	38	275.2	245.0
	Mis	8	0	8	6	4	3	29	334.1	179.0
Swain	Fel	10	34	2	6	5	0	57	154.8	105.0
	Mis	4	2	2	6	8	0	22	277.0	208.0
Dist Totals	Fel	100	57	34	104	84	63	442	315.8	248.5
% of Total		22.6%	12.9%	7.7%	23.5%	19.0%	14.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	75	16	40	73	44	11	259	244.1	179.0
% of Total		29.0%	6.2%	15.4%	28.2%	17.0%	4.2%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	8,738	1,561	2,163	1,973	1,096	581	16,112	156.3	83.0
% of Total		54.2%	9.7%	13.4%	12.2%	6.8%	3.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	5,273	894	1,094	1,152	546	194	9,153	133.2	74.0
% of Total		57.6%	9.8%	12.0%	12.6%	6.0%	2.1%	100.0%		

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		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	7	23	0	0	0	2	32	179.3	115.0
	Mis	32	16	11	12	0	0	71	111.2	98.0
Chowan	Fel	19	3	5	2	1	26	56	466.2	199.0
	Mis	144	16	8	10	6	4	188	89.5	41.5
Currituck	Fel	23	16	27	7	3	0	76	128.0	108.5
	Mis	81	14	15	13	3	0	126	93.7	71.5
Dare	Fel	79	36	21	42	14	2	194	155.4	98.5
	Mis	116	31	68	50	9	0	274	134.0	110.0
Gates	Fel	11	5	4	18	0	1	39	210.8	160.0
	Mis	18	19	7	5	0	0	49	101.4	97.0
Pasquotank	Fel	131	17	20	12	13	13	206	196.2	67.0
	Mis	407	63	61	60	14	0	605	84.8	63.0
Perquimans	Fel	13	3	26	7	1	0	50	146.3	156.0
	Mis	52	16	22	10	3	0	103	108.3	90.0
Dist Totals	Fel	283	103	103	88	32	44	653	195.5	105.0
% of Total		43.3%	15.8%	15.8%	13.5%	4.9%	6.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	850	175	192	160	35	4	1,416	99.4	73.0
% of Total		60.0%	12.4%	13.6%	11.3%	2.5%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	228	6	47	40	16	3	340	109.4	77.5
	Mis	164	27	23	7	6	0	227	77.9	54.0
Hyde	Fel	16	3	5	10	0	0	34	130.0	92.0
	Mis	15	7	3	4	0	0	29	91.4	89.0
Martin	Fel	86	12	10	11	0	0	119	75.0	57.0
	Mis	45	4	10	1	0	0	60	63.2	47.0
Tyrrell	Fel	18	0	0	6	0	0	24	89.6	49.0
	Mis	21	3	4	7	2	0	37	122.7	67.0
Washington	Fel	35	0	8	10	0	0	53	98.7	37.0
	Mis	62	6	14	7	0	0	89	80.7	63.0
Dist Totals	Fel	383	21	70	77	16	3	570	101.6	73.0
% of Total		67.2%	3.7%	12.3%	13.5%	2.8%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	307	47	54	26	8	0	442	81.1	56.0
% of Total		69.5%	10.6%	12.2%	5.9%	1.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	175	50	34	44	49	0	352	152.9	91.0
	Mis	55	14	23	19	0	0	111	100.0	94.0
Craven	Fel	222	88	80	103	18	4	515	132.3	94.0
	Mis	239	35	34	23	6	0	337	78.6	55.0
Pamlico	Fel	22	4	13	0	3	1	43	139.0	77.0
	Mis	21	3	4	1	0	0	29	78.0	59.0
Pitt	Fel	397	118	189	138	20	10	872	127.5	99.5
	Mis	523	87	103	57	12	2	784	84.5	62.0
Dist Totals	Fel	816	260	316	285	90	15	1,782	134.2	35.0
% of Total		45.8%	14.6%	17.7%	16.0%	5.1%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	838	139	164	100	18	2	1,261	84.1	62.0
% of Total		66.5%	11.0%	13.0%	7.9%	1.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	386	24	17	22	0	0	449	49.8	24.0
	Mis	67	7	3	1	0	0	78	41.5	22.0
Jones	Fel	71	0	5	5	0	0	81	35.0	10.0
	Mis	17	0	1	0	1	0	19	80.2	54.0
Onslow	Fel	732	34	59	83	0	0	908	62.3	39.0
	Mis	213	9	8	3	0	0	233	46.2	44.0
Sampson	Fel	236	19	43	0	0	0	298	49.2	25.5
	Mis	47	1	1	1	0	0	50	43.3	33.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,425	77	124	110	0	0	1,736	55.5	35.0
% of Total		82.1%	4.4%	7.1%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	344	17	13	5	1	0	380	46.5	38.5
% of Total		90.5%	4.5%	3.4%	1.3%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	1,064	200	484	208	13	3	1,972	104.5	84.0
	Mis	513	71	83	103	6	0	776	82.4	50.0
Pender	Fel	43	6	11	5	0	0	65	77.9	46.0
	Mis	34	9	9	2	0	0	54	77.1	56.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,107	206	495	213	13	3	2,037	103.7	84.0
% of Total		54.3%	10.1%	24.3%	10.5%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	547	80	92	105	6	0	830	82.0	51.0
% of Total		65.9%	9.6%	11.1%	12.7%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	72	26	14	9	2	0	123	88.3	63.0
	Mis	59	10	8	15	2	0	94	109.3	71.0
Halifax	Fel	203	4	29	54	6	1	297	90.6	43.0
	Mis	216	20	24	23	4	2	289	75.8	39.0
Hertford	Fel	94	10	6	41	1	0	152	116.6	60.0
	Mis	70	11	12	29	6	0	128	123.0	80.5
Northampton	Fel	56	18	20	3	1	0	98	79.4	77.0
	Mis	47	13	8	7	1	1	77	103.3	82.0
Dist Totals	Fel	425	58	69	107	10	1	670	94.4	56.0
% of Total		63.4%	0.0%	10.3%	16.0%	1.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	392	54	52	74	13	3	588	95.0	60.0
% of Total		66.7%	9.2%	8.8%	12.6%	2.2%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	265	32	45	10	5	0	357	68.8	55.0
	Mis	159	10	24	4	3	0	200	67.2	50.5
Nash	Fel	359	22	13	15	3	0	412	59.2	43.0
	Mis	334	22	28	7	2	0	393	55.6	32.0
Wilson	Fel	372	35	16	21	7	1	452	58.9	38.0
	Mis	112	41	15	10	10	0	188	95.8	72.0
Dist Totals	Fel	996	89	74	46	15	1	1,221	61.9	43.0
% of Total		81.6%	7.3%	6.1%	3.8%	1.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	605	73	67	21	15	0	781	68.2	45.0
% of Total		77.5%	9.3%	8.6%	2.7%	1.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	29	23	4	1	3	0	60	77.6	91.0
	Mis	56	5	8	8	1	0	78	82.5	52.0
Lenoir	Fel	204	59	45	16	10	0	334	90.1	59.0
	Mis	283	49	72	37	2	0	443	84.6	64.0
Wayne	Fel	341	106	110	64	13	2	636	100.9	86.0
	Mis	429	72	60	88	9	1	659	86.3	59.0
Dist Totals	Fel	574	188	159	81	26	2	1,030	96.1	77.5
% of Total		55.7%	18.3%	15.4%	7.9%	2.5%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	768	126	140	133	12	1	1,180	85.4	62.0
% of Total		65.1%	10.7%	11.9%	11.3%	1.0%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	103	36	31	27	2	6	205	119.1	87.0
	Mis	82	29	8	18	3	1	141	97.5	71.0
Granville	Fel	137	27	45	60	10	21	300	207.6	101.0
	Mis	70	25	46	61	10	3	215	176.3	144.0
Person	Fel	65	15	46	45	8	1	180	152.6	131.0
	Mis	121	67	32	66	49	4	339	195.8	105.0
Vance	Fel	201	36	67	76	13	3	396	123.5	89.0
	Mis	176	33	51	54	24	0	338	125.6	85.0
Warren	Fel	22	3	10	14	5	12	66	281.9	168.5
	Mis	34	6	12	23	8	6	89	217.3	147.0
Dist Totals	Fel	528	117	199	222	38	43	1,147	158.4	97.0
% of Total		46.0%	10.2%	17.3%	19.4%	3.3%	3.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	483	160	149	222	94	14	1,122	160.3	101.0
% of Total		43.0%	14.3%	13.3%	19.8%	8.4%	1.2%	100.0%		

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District 10										
Wake	Fel	1,082	392	621	856	273	41	3,265	179.3	134.0
% of Total		33.1%	12.0%	19.0%	26.2%	8.4%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,115	167	173	155	53	1	1,664	93.9	62.0
% of Total		67.0%	10.0%	10.4%	9.3%	3.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	113	4	9	10	0	0	136	68.8	52.5
	Mis	75	8	5	1	4	0	93	68.6	49.0
Johnston	Fel	191	30	13	11	2	0	247	65.8	55.0
	Mis	223	21	14	8	1	0	267	56.2	41.0
Lee	Fel	180	27	15	2	1	0	225	68.5	62.0
	Mis	153	10	6	6	1	0	176	53.8	32.5
Dist Totals	Fel	484	61	37	23	3	0	608	67.4	56.0
% of Total		79.6%	10.0%	6.1%	3.8%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	451	39	25	15	6	0	536	57.5	40.0
% of Total		84.1%	7.3%	4.7%	2.8%	1.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	412	185	200	158	48	13	1,016	140.1	105.0
	Mis	352	134	66	27	16	1	596	80.2	53.5
Hoke	Fel	85	5	12	6	1	0	109	63.3	51.0
	Mis	40	14	13	3	0	0	70	84.5	85.0
Dist Totals	Fel	497	190	212	164	49	13	1,125	132.7	99.0
% of Total		44.2%	16.9%	18.8%	14.6%	4.4%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	392	148	79	30	16	1	666	80.7	55.0
% of Total		58.9%	22.2%	11.9%	4.5%	2.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	34	32	22	11	0	0	99	110.4	98.0
	Mis	54	9	8	18	3	1	93	124.2	73.0
Brunswick	Fel	33	50	90	47	5	9	234	184.8	128.0
	Mis	41	3	21	9	6	0	80	122.9	78.0
Columbus	Fel	66	20	40	59	4	3	192	160.9	125.5
	Mis	79	12	49	35	2	0	177	119.7	109.0
Dist Totals	Fel	133	102	152	117	9	12	525	162.0	127.0
% of Total		25.3%	19.4%	29.0%	22.3%	1.7%	2.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	174	24	78	62	11	1	350	121.6	91.5
% of Total		49.7%	6.9%	22.3%	17.7%	3.1%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	710	161	229	249	93	27	1,469	146.3	93.0
% of Total		48.3%	11.0%	15.6%	17.0%	6.3%	1.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	264	51	56	50	25	8	454	126.9	75.5
% of Total		58.1%	11.2%	12.3%	11.0%	5.5%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	574	151	188	89	0	1	1,003	97.0	81.0
% of Total		57.2%	15.1%	18.7%	8.9%	0.0%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	342	222	40	54	4	1	663	91.8	90.0
% of Total		51.6%	33.5%	6.0%	8.1%	0.6%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	43	18	31	5	0	1	98	110.5	103.5
	Mis	28	3	2	4	1	0	38	77.3	60.5
Orange	Fel	212	66	70	62	0	0	410	99.2	84.0
	Mis	42	11	5	15	0	0	73	94.9	66.0
Dist Totals	Fel	255	84	101	67	0	1	508	101.4	89.5
% of Total		50.2%	16.5%	19.9%	13.2%	0.0%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	70	14	7	19	1	0	111	88.9	61.0
% of Total		63.1%	12.6%	6.3%	17.1%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		

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		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 16										
Robeson	Fel	746	203	112	72	14	0	1,147	84.8	73.0
	Mis	426	74	64	72	9	7	652	99.5	70.5
Scotland	Fel	128	40	106	104	34	5	417	177.0	155.0
	Mis	99	35	71	94	33	5	337	196.8	155.0
Dist Totals	Fel	874	243	218	176	48	5	1,564	109.4	110.6
% of Total		55.9%	15.5%	13.9%	11.3%	3.1%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	525	109	135	166	42	12	989	132.6	82.0
% of Total		53.1%	11.0%	13.7%	16.8%	4.2%	1.2%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	96	2	11	5	0	0	114	46.9	22.0
	Mis	98	6	7	3	2	0	116	60.7	47.5
Rockingham	Fel	467	65	54	34	5	1	626	70.8	51.0
	Mis	489	69	56	32	4	0	650	63.3	45.0
Dist Totals	Fel	563	67	65	39	5	1	740	67.1	50.0
% of Total		76.1%	9.1%	8.8%	5.3%	0.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	587	75	63	35	6	0	766	62.9	47.0
% of Total		76.6%	9.8%	8.2%	4.6%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	146	38	57	17	1	0	259	94.1	84.0
	Mis	116	25	40	19	1	0	201	100.3	65.0
Surry	Fel	232	67	86	76	1	0	462	110.7	88.5
	Mis	326	59	60	36	4	0	485	83.1	63.0
Dist Totals	Fel	378	105	143	93	2	0	721	104.8	84.0
% of Total		52.4%	14.6%	19.8%	12.9%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	442	84	100	55	5	0	686	88.1	63.0
% of Total		64.4%	12.2%	14.6%	8.0%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	1,423	367	343	476	317	70	2,996	168.8	94.0
% of Total		47.5%	12.2%	11.4%	15.9%	10.6%	2.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	460	70	139	74	29	15	787	118.5	73.0
% of Total		58.4%	8.9%	17.7%	9.4%	3.7%	1.9%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	362	99	98	60	7	0	626	98.4	83.0
	Mis	340	164	158	100	13	1	776	120.6	98.0
Rowan	Fel	468	121	70	55	7	0	721	87.4	72.0
	Mis	349	65	74	58	13	1	560	101.4	70.5
Dist Totals	Fel	830	220	168	115	14	0	1,347	92.5	76.0
% of Total		61.6%	16.3%	12.5%	8.5%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	689	229	232	158	26	2	1,336	112.5	88.0
% of Total		51.6%	17.1%	17.4%	11.8%	1.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	98	35	42	32	3	2	212	120.1	94.0
	Mis	171	59	46	73	2	2	353	119.7	92.0
Randolph	Fel	152	121	111	136	40	6	566	175.2	126.0
	Mis	604	167	160	152	28	2	1,113	106.7	83.0
Dist Totals	Fel	250	156	153	168	43	8	778	160.2	115.0
% of Total		32.1%	20.1%	19.7%	21.6%	5.5%	1.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	775	226	206	225	30	4	1,466	109.8	86.0
% of Total		52.9%	15.4%	14.1%	15.3%	2.0%	0.3%	100.0%		

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District 20										
Anson	Fel	86	21	24	25	9	0	165	124.3	87.0
	Mis	102	17	41	36	8	1	205	124.7	102.0
Moore	Fel	378	41	79	79	5	1	583	92.1	56.0
	Mis	321	25	35	12	4	0	397	62.7	54.0
Richmond	Fel	303	119	91	33	23	2	571	103.7	85.0
	Mis	207	32	64	40	25	2	370	121.8	73.0
Stanly	Fel	278	86	35	15	0	2	416	76.9	57.0
	Mis	222	11	23	18	3	0	277	69.2	51.0
Union	Fel	490	29	51	21	12	1	604	77.0	55.0
	Mis	363	36	62	44	11	1	517	87.9	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,535	296	280	173	49	6	2,339	90.6	60.0
% of Total		65.6%	12.7%	12.0%	7.4%	2.1%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,215	121	225	150	51	4	1,766	90.7	56.0
% of Total		68.8%	6.9%	12.7%	8.5%	2.9%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	1,591	157	102	82	11	0	1,943	66.5	53.0
% of Total		81.9%	8.1%	5.2%	4.2%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,853	79	69	80	5	0	2,086	52.2	41.0
% of Total		88.8%	3.8%	3.3%	3.8%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	33	11	32	4	6	0	86	132.2	106.0
	Mis	71	31	27	9	0	0	138	86.8	75.0
Davidson	Fel	162	26	47	53	21	5	314	149.6	82.5
	Mis	374	44	43	35	10	2	508	77.9	46.0
Davie	Fel	8	6	9	35	1	0	59	182.1	196.0
	Mis	90	17	30	22	1	0	160	109.2	83.0
Iredell	Fel	111	30	149	116	8	8	422	168.7	146.0
	Mis	525	64	57	97	6	0	749	84.9	49.0
Dist Totals	Fel	314	73	237	208	36	13	881	159.2	40.0
% of Total		35.6%	8.3%	26.9%	23.6%	4.1%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,060	156	157	163	17	2	1,555	85.3	53.0
% of Total		68.2%	10.0%	10.1%	10.5%	1.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	5	0	9	4	13	1	32	320.9	278.0
	Mis	10	1	6	4	0	0	21	114.0	98.0
Ashe	Fel	53	2	6	10	3	1	75	130.9	66.0
	Mis	8	7	4	21	1	6	47	308.9	201.0
Wilkes	Fel	69	24	18	59	14	2	186	170.4	119.0
	Mis	173	31	45	49	11	13	322	156.4	84.0
Yadkin	Fel	49	44	16	48	2	5	164	160.9	113.0
	Mis	91	16	19	25	5	1	157	111.9	75.0
Dist Totals	Fel	176	70	49	121	32	9	457	171.1	146.0
% of Total		38.5%	15.3%	10.7%	26.5%	7.0%	2.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	282	55	74	99	17	20	547	155.1	87.0
% of Total		51.6%	10.1%	13.5%	18.1%	3.1%	3.7%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	58	0	6	8	1	2	75	80.1	8.0
	Mis	15	0	5	8	0	0	28	116.6	71.0
Madison	Fel	18	7	15	12	8	5	65	222.7	129.0
	Mis	8	0	3	3	5	2	21	286.6	161.0
Mitchell	Fel	55	6	7	9	7	1	85	129.6	63.0
	Mis	24	0	8	12	15	0	59	209.7	167.0
Watauga	Fel	102	41	68	35	12	0	258	129.3	111.0
	Mis	44	21	17	17	0	0	99	102.2	98.0
Yancey	Fel	24	3	4	8	5	0	44	155.4	84.0
	Mis	4	0	3	2	1	0	10	154.5	125.5
Dist Totals	Fel	257	57	100	72	33	8	527	136.1	99.0
% of Total		48.8%	10.8%	19.0%	13.7%	6.3%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	95	21	36	42	21	2	217	153.6	112.0
% of Total		43.8%	9.7%	16.6%	19.4%	9.7%	0.9%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	78	57	36	94	23	6	294	195.1	142.0
	Mis	111	44	96	128	20	3	402	167.2	146.0
Caldwell	Fel	84	66	211	112	27	7	507	178.8	155.0
	Mis	161	57	104	121	14	0	457	145.1	126.0
Catawba	Fel	312	143	187	183	55	10	890	153.2	116.0
	Mis	301	97	150	99	12	5	664	122.1	98.0
Dist Totals	Fel	474	266	434	389	105	23	1,691	168.2	140.0
% of Total		28.0%	15.7%	25.7%	23.0%	6.2%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	573	198	350	348	46	8	1,523	140.9	119.0
% of Total		37.6%	13.0%	23.0%	22.8%	3.0%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	1,107	595	617	437	153	52	2,961	152.9	106.0
% of Total		37.4%	20.1%	20.8%	14.8%	5.2%	1.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	709	175	275	255	36	6	1,456	122.2	95.0
% of Total		48.7%	12.0%	18.9%	17.5%	2.5%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	731	101	124	78	9	2	1,045	77.3	57.0
% of Total		70.0%	9.7%	11.9%	7.5%	0.9%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	581	69	81	55	4	1	791	74.6	53.0
% of Total		73.5%	8.7%	10.2%	7.0%	0.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	295	133	152	97	17	0	694	117.9	100.0
	Mis	234	42	52	54	7	2	391	102.5	71.0
Lincoln	Fel	167	40	30	18	3	0	258	90.7	81.0
	Mis	118	33	15	24	4	0	194	99.4	76.0
Dist Totals	Fel	462	173	182	115	20	0	952	110.6	94.5
% of Total		48.5%	18.2%	19.1%	12.1%	2.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	352	75	67	78	11	2	585	101.5	74.0
% of Total		60.2%	12.8%	11.5%	13.3%	1.9%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	455	182	127	85	41	11	901	127.5	90.0
% of Total		50.5%	20.2%	14.1%	9.4%	4.6%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	204	34	29	20	8	3	298	95.9	61.0
% of Total		68.5%	11.4%	9.7%	6.7%	2.7%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	277	40	62	35	16	11	441	146.8	67.0
	Mis	165	35	18	19	4	9	250	133.3	72.0
McDowell	Fel	184	25	61	18	7	1	296	97.3	68.0
	Mis	69	14	19	21	1	0	124	102.6	67.0
Polk	Fel	18	1	17	27	7	0	70	178.0	126.0
	Mis	16	3	12	14	3	0	48	159.2	146.0
Rutherford	Fel	161	53	58	120	33	4	429	156.1	121.0
	Mis	121	38	67	54	25	0	305	146.8	115.0
Transylvania	Fel	34	38	13	40	5	7	137	190.8	117.0
	Mis	25	21	4	32	8	3	93	196.6	127.0
Dist Totals	Fel	674	157	211	240	68	23	1,373	145.0	92.0
% of Total		49.1%	11.4%	15.4%	17.5%	5.0%	1.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	396	111	120	140	41	12	820	142.4	96.0
% of Total		48.3%	13.5%	14.6%	17.1%	5.0%	1.5%	100.0%		

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District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	18	9	4	3	6	0	40	167.2	92.0
	Mis	0	13	4	3	0	0	20	142.4	92.0
Clay	Fel	21	18	16	6	1	0	62	120.5	108.0
	Mis	3	4	1	0	0	0	8	86.1	104.0
Graham	Fel	8	10	10	41	16	0	85	298.6	350.0
	Mis	32	4	19	19	21	1	96	226.5	141.0
daywood	Fel	121	32	87	114	32	8	394	194.7	154.0
	Mis	68	35	27	49	23	1	203	176.3	119.0
Jackson	Fel	34	5	42	16	4	0	101	127.8	134.0
	Mis	15	8	13	7	2	0	45	130.4	120.0
Macon	Fel	37	15	7	25	5	4	93	164.4	111.0
	Mis	18	3	4	22	9	0	56	193.2	191.0
Swain	Fel	8	6	26	16	6	0	62	183.5	158.0
	Mis	18	5	4	19	6	0	52	176.1	166.0
Dist Totals	Fel	247	95	192	221	70	12	837	186.2	147.0
% of Total		29.5%	11.4%	22.9%	26.4%	8.4%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	154	72	72	119	61	2	480	181.1	127.0
% of Total		32.1%	15.0%	15.0%	24.8%	12.7%	0.4%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	22,613	5,640	6,894	6,082	1,723	450	43,402	125.6	86.0
% of Total		52.1%	13.0%	15.9%	14.0%	4.0%	1.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	18,894	3,495	3,811	3,493	774	131	30,598	100.6	67.0
% of Total		61.7%	11.4%	12.5%	11.4%	2.5%	0.4%	100.0%		

PART IV, Section 2

District Court Division

Caseflow Data

The District Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseflow in 1985-86 of cases filed and disposed of in the State's district courts, including those handled by magistrates.

When the plaintiff in a civil case requests, and the amount in controversy does not exceed $1,500, the case may be classified as a "small claim" civil action and assigned to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates also have certain criminal case jurisdiction. They may accept written appearance and waiver of trial, with plea of guilty, and enter judgment in accord with the schedule of fines promulgated by chief district judges for traffic offenses; and effective July 1, 1984, for boating, hunting and fishing offenses. Also, magistrates may accept guilty pleas in other misdemeanor cases where the sentence cannot be in excess of 30 days or $50 fine; and may hear and enter judgment in worthless check cases where the amount involved is $500 or less, and any prison sentence imposed does not exceed 30 days.

Appeals from magistrates' judgments in both civil and criminal cases are to the district court, with a district court judge presiding.

This section contains data on three major case classifications in the district court division: civil cases, juvenile proceedings, and criminal cases. Civil cases include cases assigned to magistrates (small claims as defined above), domestic relations cases (chiefly concerned with annulments, divorces, alimony, custody and support of children), and "general civil" cases. Juvenile proceedings are classified in accordance with the nature of the offense or condition alleged in the petition which initiates the case. District court criminal cases are divided into motor vehicle cases (where the offense charged is defined in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes) and non-motor criminal cases.

Consistent with previous years, the pie charts on the following page illustrate that district court criminal cases filed and disposed of in the 1985-86 year greatly outnumbered civil cases. Motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about fifty percent of total filings and dispositions, and the non-motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about twenty-seven percent. As in past years, the greatest portion of district court civil filings and dispositions were small claims referred to magistrates.

The large volume categories of criminal motor-vehicle and civil magistrate cases are not reported to AOC by case file numbers. Therefore, it is not possible to obtain, by computer processing, the numbers of pending cases as of a given date or the ages of cases pending and ages of cases at disposition. These categories of cases are processed through the courts faster than any others, thus explaining the decision not to allocate personnel and computer resource to reporting these cases in the detail that is provided for other categories of cases.

Also, juvenile proceedings and hearings on commitment or recommitment of persons to the State's mental hospital facilities are not reported to AOC by case file numbers.

Two tables are provided on juvenile proceedings: offenses and conditions alleged, and numbers of adjudicatory hearings held.

Data on district court hearings for mental hospital commitments and recommitments is reported in Part III, "Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents."

Ages of district court cases pending on June 30, 1986, and ages of cases disposed of during 1985-86 are reported for the domestic relations, general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer, and criminal non-motor vehicle case categories.

The tables for domestic relations and general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases show that the median age of such cases which were pending on June 30, 1986, was 143 and 159 days, respectively, compared with a median age of 149 days for domestic relations and 152 days for general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases pending on June 30, 1985. At the time of disposition during 1985-86, the median age of domestic relations cases was 53 days, and the median age for general civil and magistrate/transfer cases was 105 days, compared with a median age of 51 days at the time of disposition for domestic relations cases and 110 days for civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases during 1984-85.

For district court non-motor vehicle criminal cases, the median age for cases pending on June 30, 1986, was 50 days compared with a median age of 48 days for cases pending on June 30, 1985. The median age of cases in this category at the time of disposition during 1985-86 was 28 days compared with a median age of 27 days at the time of disposition during 1984-85.

The statewide total district court filings during 1985-86, not including juvenile cases, and mental hospital commitment hearings, and civil license revocations, was 1,626,149 cases, compared with 1,496,526 during 1984-85, an increase of 129,623 (8.7%). Most of this increase came in the motor vehicle criminal case category where filings in 1984-85 amounted to 771,994 cases compared to 839,168 cases filed in 1985-86, an increase of 67,174 (8.7%) cases. There was an increase of 33,305 cases (8.1%) in the non-motor vehicle criminal case category.

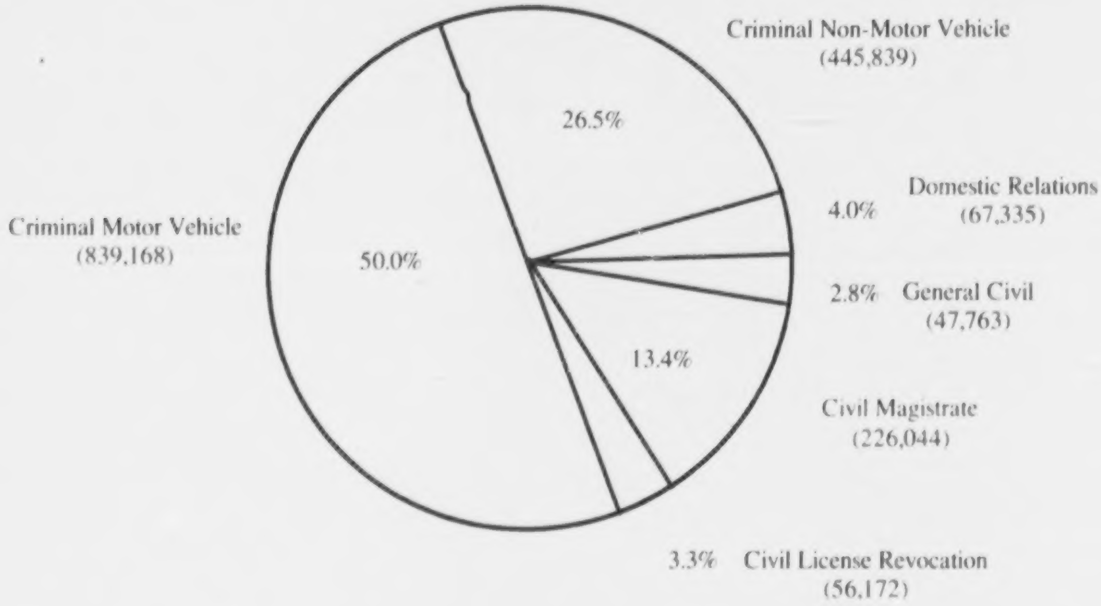
There also was an increase (9.3%) in district court civil case filings, from a total of 311,998 in 1984-85 to 341,142 in 1985-86. Most of this increase was in civil magistrate filings, from 204,071 cases in 1984-85 to 226,044 cases in 1985-86. In the domestic relations category, there was an increase of 2,272 cases in 1985-86 compared to the number in 1984-85.

The changes from year-to-year in the individual case categories are not unusual. The over-all trend for *total* district court case filings over the past several years has been upward. This upward trend is reflected in the total 1985-86 district court case filings.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1985—June 30, 1986

FILINGS



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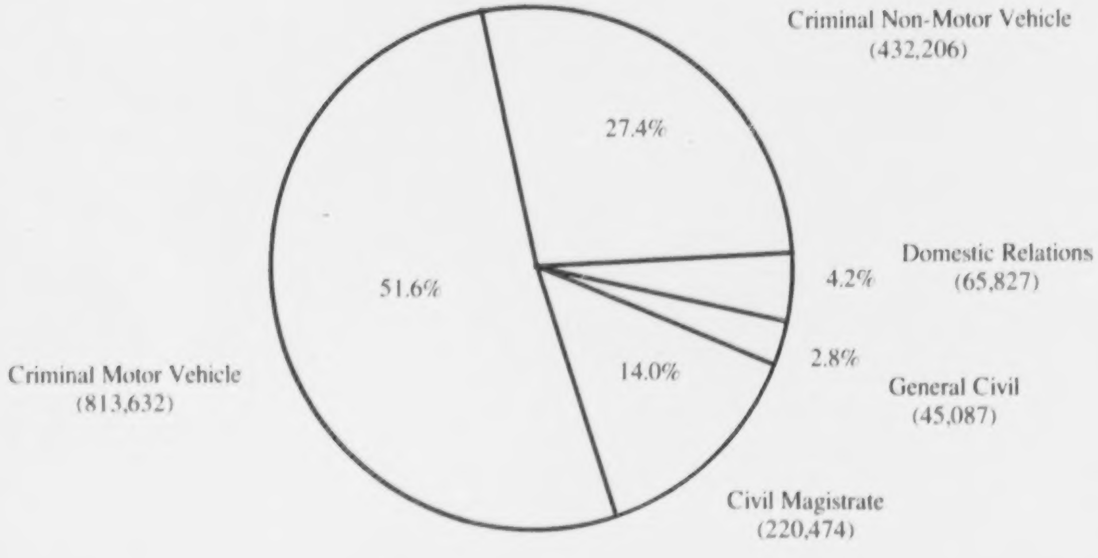

Criminal cases comprise three fourths of the filings and dispositions in the district courts. Motor vehicle cases account for most of the criminal caseload, and half the total caseload. The 56,172 civil license revocations in the upper chart are the automatic, 10-day driver license suspensions imposed on drivers arrested on suspicion of impaired driving whose breath tests show a blood alcohol content of 0.10 or more. Those cases are counted only at filing, and do not appear on the lower chart.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS IN THE DISTRICT COURT CASES

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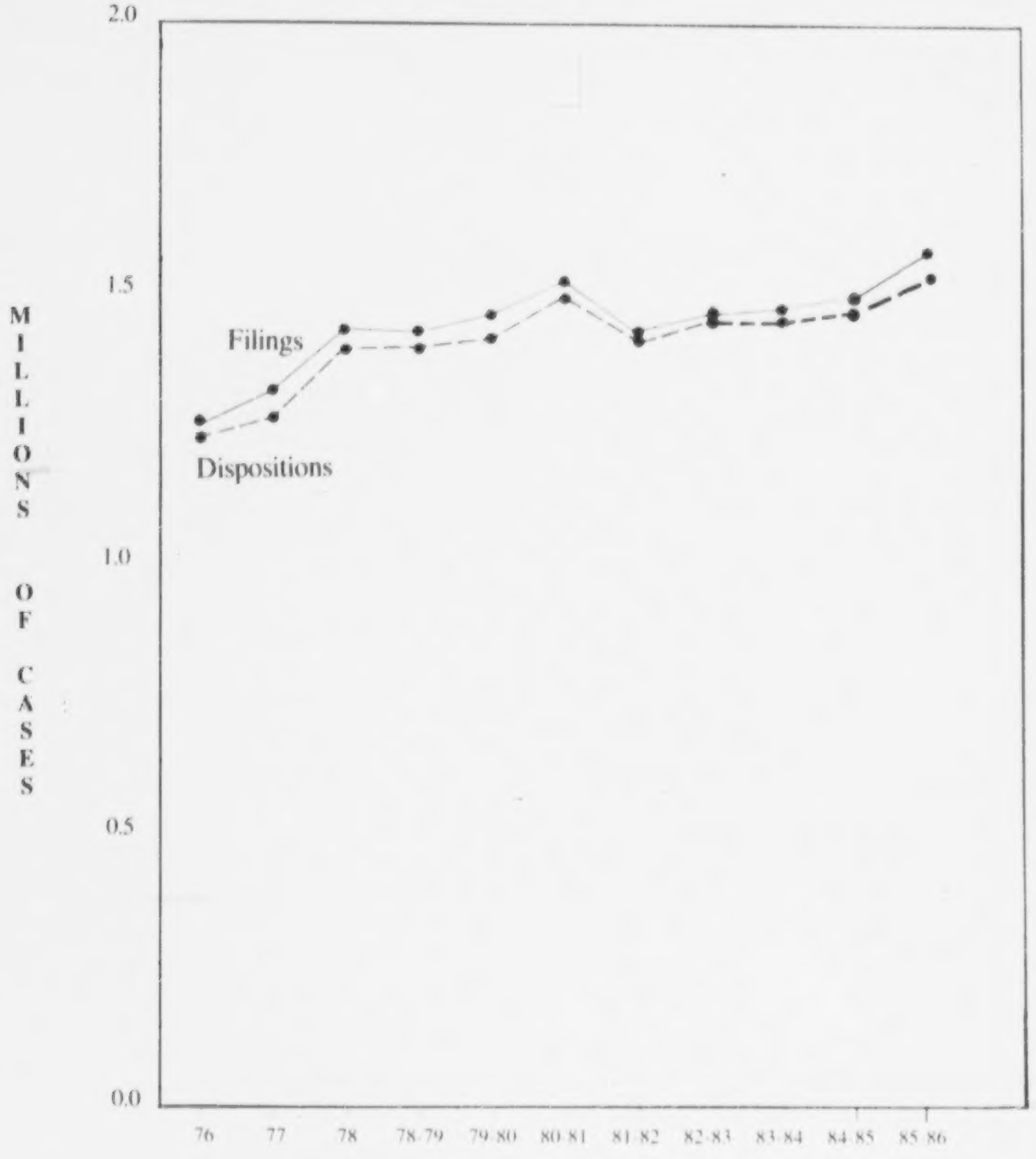
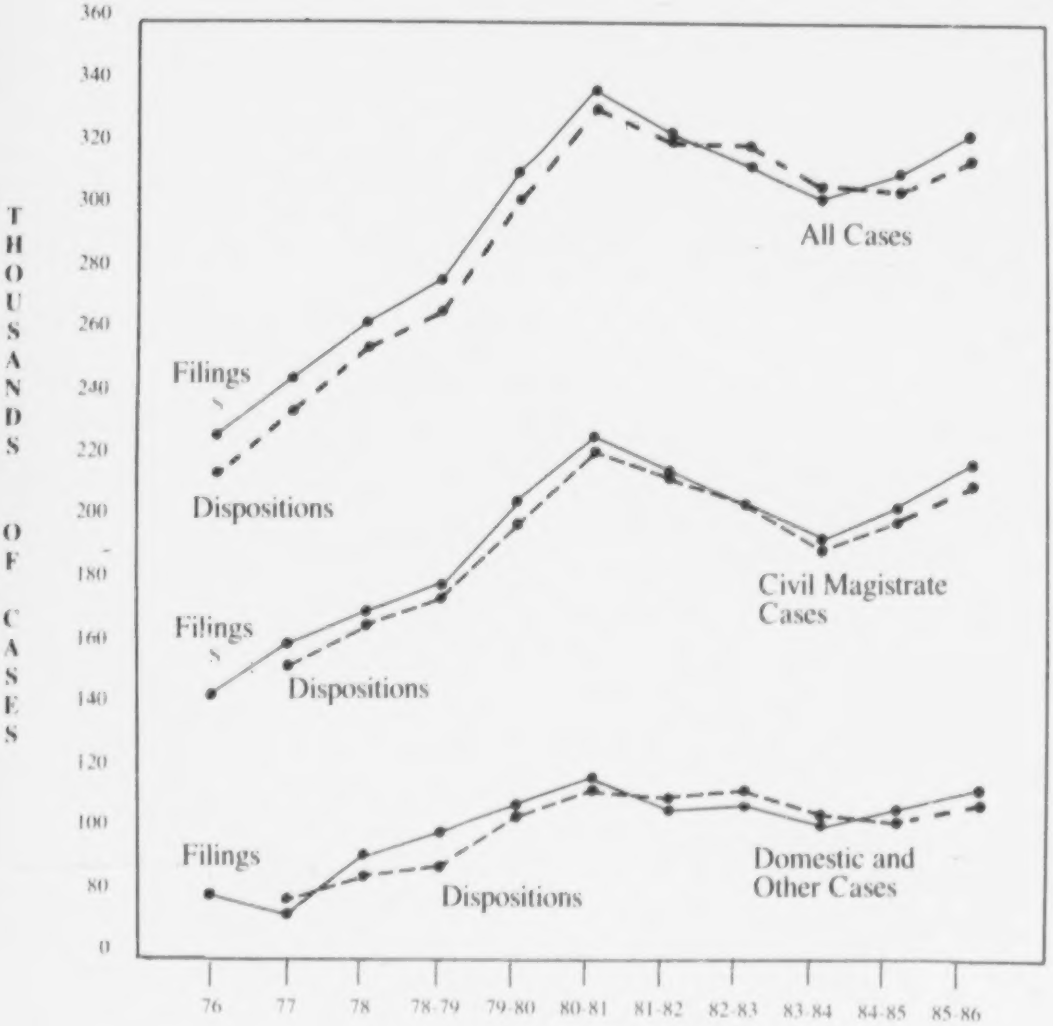


All civil and criminal case filings and dispositions for the last decade, including traffic offenses and civil magistrate cases, are included in the above graph. The increase in filings and dispositions for fiscal year 1985-86 is largely due to the 11.4% increase in general civil case filings, the 10.[illegible]% increase in civil magistrate case filings, and the 8.7% increase in criminal motor vehicle case filings.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS IN THE DISTRICT COURT CASES

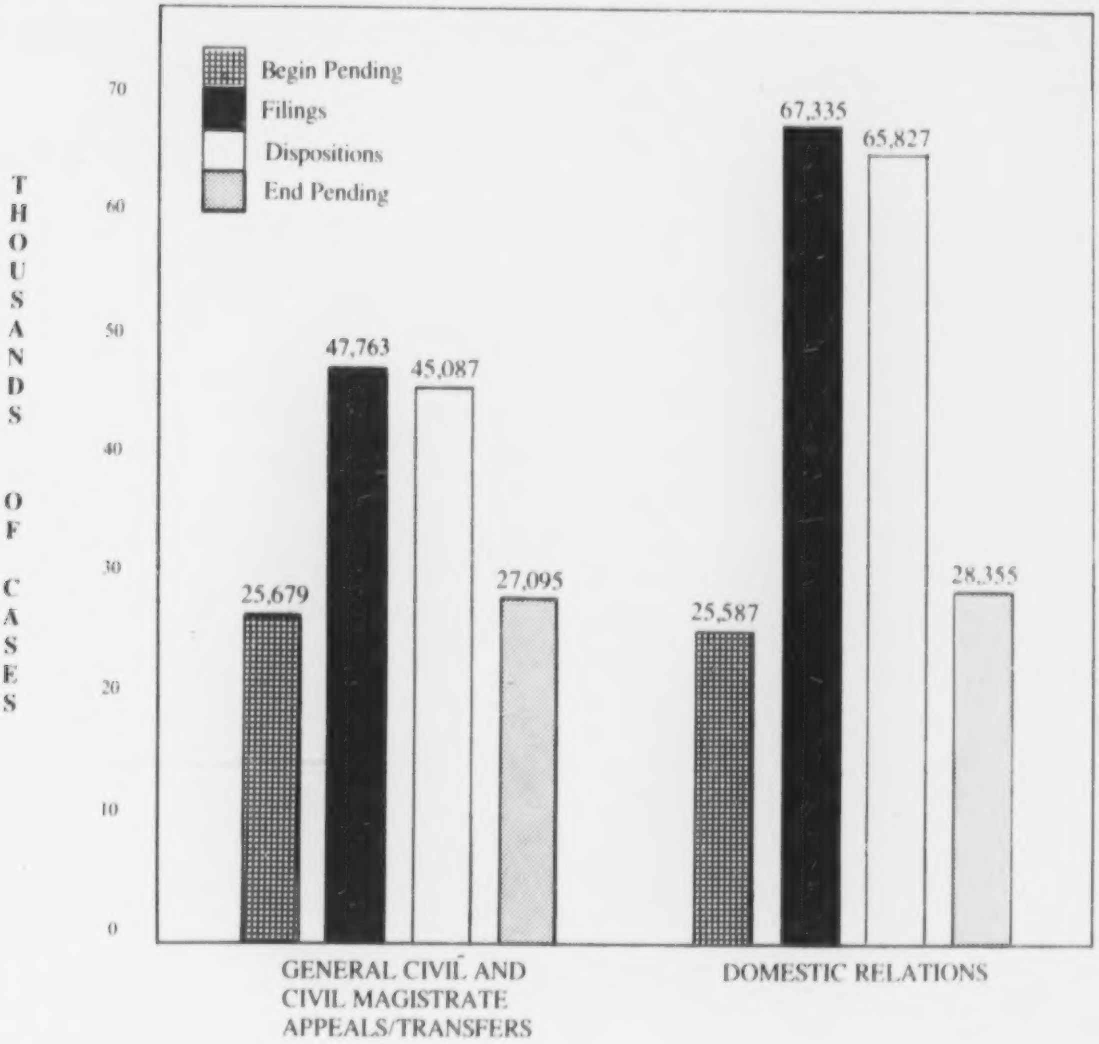
1976-1985-86



Civil magistrate filings increased 10.8% over last year, and other civil district filings increased 6.6%. These are continuations of the trends of last year.

CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986



Dispositions of domestic relations cases increased 6.3% in 1985-86 compared to 1984-85, while filings increased 3.4%. That left 28,355 cases pending on June 30, 1986 compared to 26,260 in 1985. Even though dispositions increased more than filings, the growth in total caseload caused a slight increase in the number pending at the end of the year. The largest increase (11.4%) came in general civil filings.

FILINGS OF CIVIL (NON—MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS BY TYPE OF CASE

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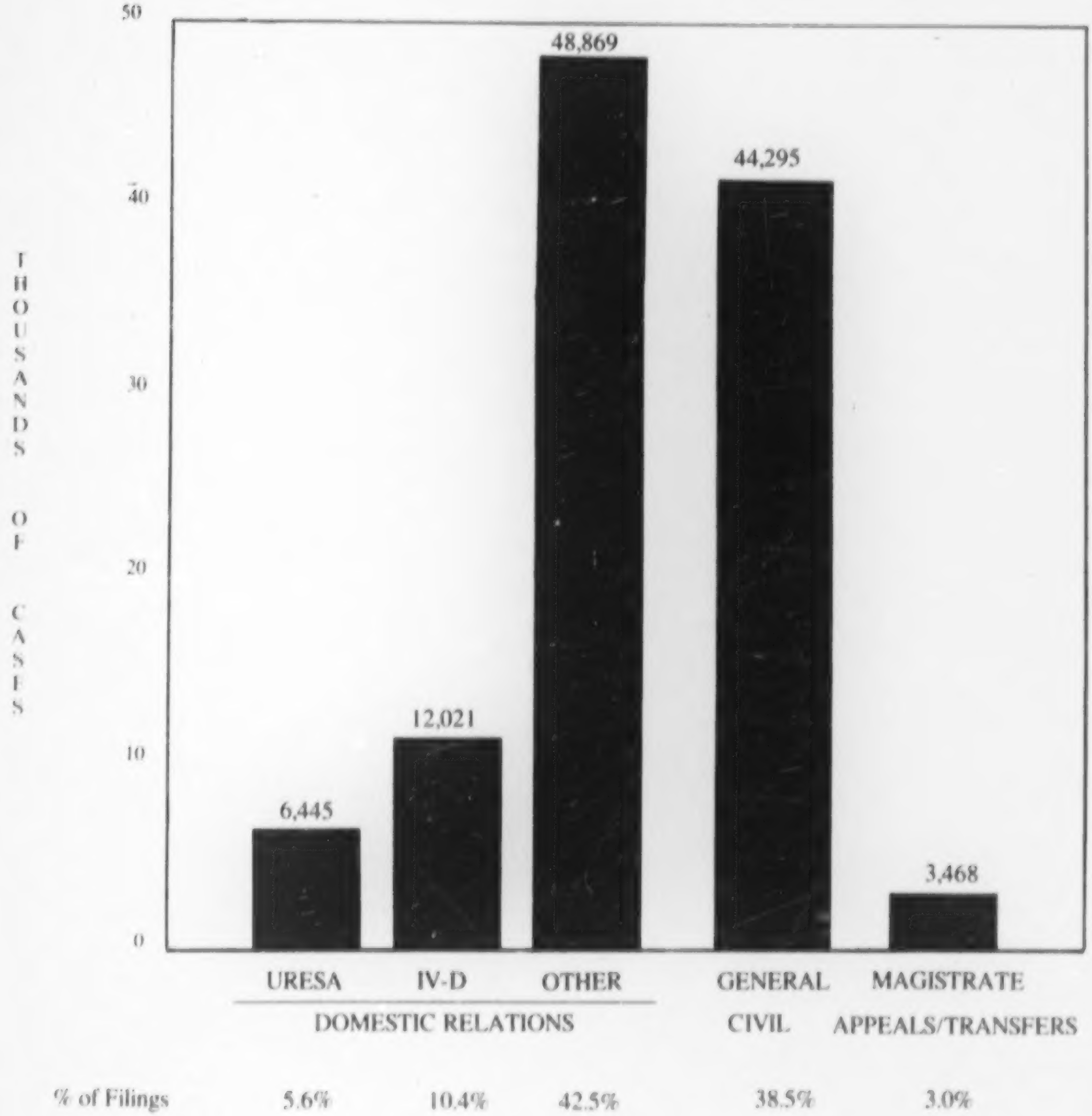

"URESA" stands for the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, and refers to actions enforcing child support orders entered by judges in one state by the courts of another. "IV-D" refers to actions to collect child support owed to social services clients. The "Other" category includes such civil actions as annulment, divorce, equitable distribution of property, alimony, child support, and child custody.

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	Domestic Relations Cases						General Civil and Magistrate Appeals/Transfers					
	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 1												
Camden	6	36	42	25	59.5%	17	9	8	17	9	52.9%	8
Chowan	50	138	188	150	79.8%	38	53	87	140	68	48.6%	72
Currituck	51	81	132	100	75.8%	32	36	74	110	53	48.2%	57
Dare	62	153	215	129	60.0%	86	115	191	306	181	59.2%	125
Gates	30	58	88	72	81.8%	16	12	13	25	13	52.0%	12
Pasquotank	116	287	403	305	75.7%	98	99	161	260	159	61.2%	101
Perquimans	50	72	122	72	59.0%	50	43	36	79	30	38.0%	49
District Totals	365	825	1,190	853	71.7%	337	367	570	937	513	54.7%	424
District 2												
Beaufort	127	363	490	348	71.0%	142	130	143	273	161	59.0%	112
Hyde	25	47	72	53	73.6%	19	21	50	71	45	63.4%	26
Martin	104	317	421	310	73.6%	111	68	73	141	103	73.0%	38
Tyrrell	8	27	35	25	71.4%	10	8	20	28	9	32.1%	19
Washington	34	122	156	122	78.2%	34	40	133	173	144	83.2%	29
District Totals	298	876	1,174	858	73.1%	316	267	419	686	462	67.3%	224
District 3												
Carteret	451	519	970	800	82.5%	170	123	288	411	299	72.7%	112
Craven	695	918	1,613	1,247	77.3%	366	336	798	1,134	838	73.9%	296
Pamlico	64	89	153	121	79.1%	32	15	38	53	32	60.4%	21
Pitt	522	752	1,274	1,046	82.1%	228	230	714	944	675	71.5%	269
District Totals	1,732	2,278	4,010	3,214	80.1%	796	704	1,838	2,542	1,844	72.5%	698
District 4												
Duplin	113	401	514	357	69.5%	157	107	186	293	191	65.2%	102
Jones	47	71	118	73	61.9%	45	22	82	104	64	61.5%	40
Onslow	1,120	1,624	2,744	1,476	53.8%	1,268	593	589	1,182	473	40.0%	709
Sampson	163	564	727	503	69.2%	224	92	208	300	196	65.3%	104
District Totals	1,443	2,660	4,103	2,409	58.7%	1,694	814	1,065	1,879	924	49.2%	955
District 5												
New Hanover	735	1,502	2,237	1,622	72.5%	615	1,120	1,833	2,953	1,824	61.8%	1,129
Pender	130	273	403	290	72.0%	113	112	94	206	122	59.2%	84
District Totals	865	1,775	2,640	1,912	72.4%	728	1,232	1,927	3,159	1,946	61.6%	1,213
District 6												
Bertie	58	299	357	268	75.1%	89	27	73	100	65	65.0%	35
Halifax	180	768	948	754	79.5%	194	101	201	302	228	75.5%	74
Hertford	67	347	414	301	72.7%	113	80	178	258	142	55.0%	116
Northampton	53	230	283	227	80.2%	56	19	49	68	52	76.5%	16
District Totals	358	1,644	2,002	1,550	77.4%	452	227	501	728	487	66.9%	241
District 7												
Edgecombe	222	606	828	655	79.1%	173	158	275	433	288	66.5%	145
Nash	206	750	956	735	76.9%	221	268	534	802	567	70.7%	235
Wilson	322	731	1,053	811	77.0%	242	267	337	604	419	69.4%	185
District Totals	750	2,087	2,837	2,201	77.6%	636	693	1,146	1,839	1,274	69.3%	565
District 8												
Greene	46	146	192	154	80.2%	38	13	22	35	24	68.6%	11
Lenoir	283	688	971	648	66.7%	323	238	533	771	486	63.0%	285
Wayne	407	1,191	1,598	1,170	73.2%	428	379	804	1,183	677	57.2%	506
District Totals	736	2,025	2,761	1,972	71.4%	789	630	1,359	1,989	1,187	59.7%	802

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	Begin Pending 7/1/85	**Filings**	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 9												
Franklin	88	293	381	271	71.1%	110	58	93	151	92	60.9%	59
Granville	114	282	396	283	71.5%	113	78	124	202	132	65.3%	70
Person	52	302	354	286	80.8%	68	64	96	160	92	57.5%	68
Vance	129	510	639	479	75.0%	160	116	169	285	185	64.9%	100
Warren	88	206	294	212	72.1%	82	29	60	89	54	60.7%	35
District Totals	471	1,593	2,064	1,531	74.2%	533	345	542	887	555	62.6%	332
District 10												
Wake	1,872	3,785	5,657	3,169	56.0%	2,488	1,897	4,924	6,821	3,948	57.9%	2,873
District 11												
Harnett	177	661	838	640	76.4%	198	179	380	559	418	74.8%	141
Johnston	251	924	1,175	901	76.7%	274	241	568	809	569	70.3%	240
Lee	129	505	634	511	80.6%	123	201	350	551	392	71.1%	159
District Totals	557	2,090	2,647	2,052	77.5%	595	621	1,298	1,919	1,379	71.9%	540
District 12												
Cumberland	2,242	4,410	6,652	4,204	63.2%	2,448	824	1,254	2,078	1,251	60.2%	827
Hoke	62	193	255	170	66.7%	85	49	103	152	90	59.2%	62
District Totals	2,304	4,603	6,907	4,374	63.3%	2,533	873	1,357	2,230	1,341	60.1%	889
District 13												
Bladen	36	261	297	253	85.2%	44	152	334	486	347	71.4%	139
Brunswick	171	420	591	385	65.1%	206	438	485	923	404	43.8%	519
Columbus	232	704	936	639	68.3%	297	335	454	789	422	53.5%	367
District Totals	439	1,385	1,824	1,277	70.0%	547	925	1,273	2,198	1,173	53.4%	1,025
District 14												
Durham	968	1,872	2,840	1,836	64.6%	1,004	1,192	1,614	2,806	1,438	51.2%	1,368
District 15A												
Alamance	217	1,139	1,356	1,098	81.0%	258	273	617	890	623	70.0%	267
District 15B												
Chatham	125	276	401	284	70.8%	117	77	76	153	103	67.3%	50
Orange	201	526	727	517	71.1%	210	270	522	792	516	65.2%	276
District Totals	326	802	1,128	801	71.0%	327	347	598	945	619	65.5%	326
District 16												
Robeson	263	1,118	1,381	1,064	77.0%	317	464	834	1,298	859	66.2%	439
Scotland	91	365	456	345	75.7%	111	82	177	259	165	63.7%	94
District Totals	354	1,483	1,837	1,409	76.7%	428	546	1,011	1,557	1,024	65.8%	533
District 17A												
Caswell	69	142	211	154	73.0%	57	36	46	82	46	56.1%	36
Rockingham	251	822	1,073	813	75.8%	260	173	344	517	350	67.7%	167
District Totals	320	964	1,284	967	75.3%	317	209	390	599	396	66.1%	203
District 17B												
Stokes	55	214	269	200	74.3%	69	58	72	130	96	73.8%	34
Surry	141	540	681	484	71.1%	197	162	403	565	386	68.3%	179
District Totals	196	754	950	684	72.0%	266	220	475	695	482	69.4%	213

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District 18												
Guilford	1,435	3,961	5,396	3,779	70.0%	1,617	2,351	3,959	6,310	3,735	59.2%	2,575
District 19A												
Cabarrus	357	906	1,263	947	75.0%	316	294	424	718	335	46.7%	383
Rowan	285	936	1,221	962	78.8%	259	373	581	954	536	56.2%	418
District Totals	642	1,842	2,484	1,909	76.9%	575	667	1,005	1,672	871	52.1%	801
District 19B												
Montgomery	66	182	248	158	63.7%	90	105	225	330	229	69.4%	101
Randolph	184	768	952	702	73.7%	250	112	292	404	292	72.3%	112
District Totals	250	950	1,200	860	71.7%	340	217	517	734	521	71.0%	213
District 20												
Anson	73	233	306	218	71.2%	88	71	96	167	79	47.3%	88
Moore	252	539	791	514	65.0%	277	402	311	713	282	39.6%	431
Richmond	189	445	634	425	67.0%	209	250	227	477	241	50.5%	236
Stanly	148	354	502	323	64.3%	179	242	342	584	303	51.9%	281
Union	257	608	865	515	59.5%	350	310	384	694	317	45.7%	377
District Totals	919	2,179	3,098	1,995	64.4%	1,103	1,275	1,360	2,635	1,222	46.4%	1,413
District 21												
Forsyth	1,033	2,852	3,885	2,655	68.3%	1,230	1,380	2,909	4,289	2,494	58.1%	1,795
District 22												
Alexander	55	183	238	180	75.6%	58	24	90	114	76	66.7%	38
Davidson	318	946	1,264	893	70.6%	371	212	464	676	427	63.2%	249
Davie	66	189	255	183	71.8%	72	80	117	197	122	61.9%	75
Iredell	224	791	1,015	766	75.5%	249	251	685	936	612	65.4%	324
District Totals	663	2,109	2,772	2,022	72.9%	750	567	1,356	1,923	1,237	64.3%	686
District 23												
Alleghany	17	88	105	85	81.0%	20	47	87	134	95	70.9%	39
Ashe	41	171	212	167	78.8%	45	38	67	105	62	59.0%	43
Wilkes	110	455	565	435	77.0%	130	222	535	757	539	71.2%	218
Yadkin	55	222	277	203	73.3%	74	66	115	181	112	61.9%	69
District Totals	223	936	1,159	890	76.8%	269	373	804	1,177	808	68.6%	369
District 24												
Avery	69	114	183	99	54.1%	84	95	145	240	154	64.2%	86
Madison	23	21	44	20	45.5%	24	37	109	146	79	54.1%	67
Mitchell	43	101	144	111	77.1%	33	42	147	189	93	49.2%	96
Watauga	117	274	391	279	71.4%	112	144	316	460	252	54.8%	208
Yancey	29	119	148	113	76.4%	35	15	39	54	39	72.2%	15
District Totals	281	629	910	622	68.4%	288	333	756	1,089	617	56.7%	472
District 25												
Burke	253	797	1,050	705	67.1%	345	181	445	626	413	66.0%	213
Caldwell	309	784	1,093	859	78.6%	234	169	387	556	405	72.8%	151
Catawba	422	1,323	1,745	1,216	69.7%	529	388	754	1,142	731	64.0%	411
District Totals	984	2,904	3,888	2,780	71.5%	1,108	738	1,586	2,324	1,549	66.7%	775
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,437	5,575	7,012	5,350	76.3%	1,662	3,247	6,542	9,789	6,437	65.8%	3,352

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District 27A												
Gaston	848	2,299	3,147	2,504	79.6%	643	349	658	1,007	645	64.1%	362
District 27B												
Cleveland	226	963	1,189	971	81.7%	218	121	234	355	277	78.0%	78
Lincoln	74	424	498	408	81.9%	90	62	158	220	170	77.3%	50
District Totals	300	1,387	1,687	1,379	81.7%	308	183	392	575	447	77.7%	128
District 28												
Buncombe	664	2,033	2,697	1,969	73.0%	728	620	1,478	2,098	1,430	68.2%	668
District 29												
Henderson	277	614	891	578	64.9%	313	243	345	588	294	50.0%	294
McDowell	91	340	431	317	73.5%	114	84	138	222	148	66.7%	74
Polk	19	90	109	84	77.1%	25	24	46	70	48	68.6%	22
Rutherford	214	569	783	543	69.3%	240	109	136	245	146	59.6%	99
Transylvania	133	263	396	227	57.3%	169	135	264	399	161	40.4%	238
District Totals	734	1,876	2,610	1,749	67.0%	861	595	929	1,524	797	52.3%	727
District 30												
Cherokee	61	163	224	163	72.8%	61	27	52	79	57	72.2%	22
Clay	14	15	29	12	41.4%	17	16	37	53	30	56.6%	23
Graham	22	64	86	54	62.8%	32	10	24	34	16	47.1%	18
Haywood	267	430	697	464	66.6%	233	135	146	281	195	69.4%	86
Jackson	74	206	280	198	70.7%	82	63	169	232	153	65.9%	79
Macon	97	183	280	190	67.9%	90	109	115	224	163	72.8%	61
Swain	68	102	170	116	68.2%	54	42	45	87	48	55.2%	39
District Totals	603	1,163	1,766	1,197	67.8%	569	402	588	990	662	66.9%	328
State Totals	25,587	67,335	92,922	65,827	70.8%	27,095	25,679	47,763	73,442	45,087	61.4%	28,355

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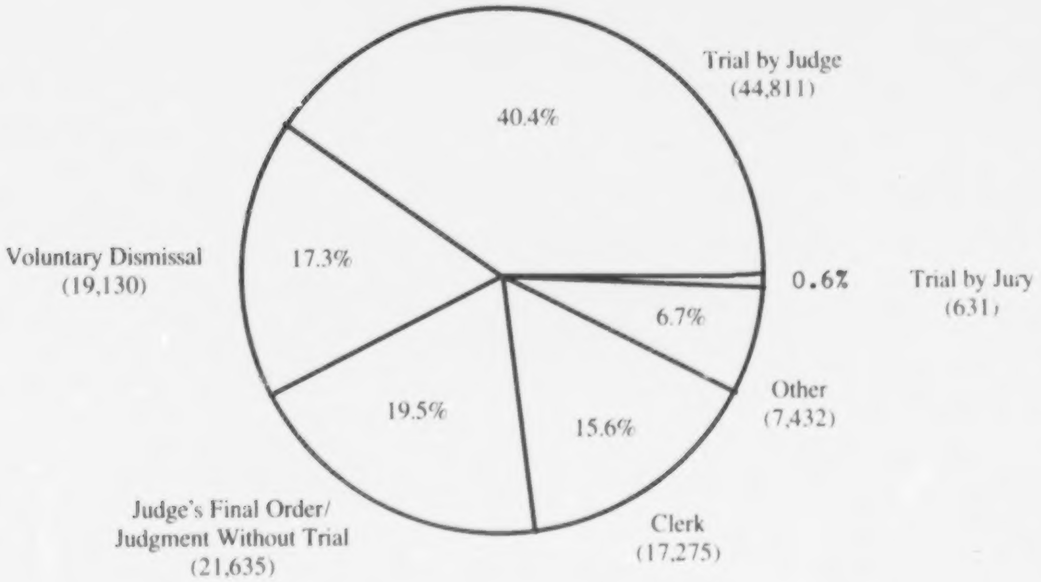

Most civil cases in the district courts are disposed of by judges, either before trial or with a bench (non-jury) trial. The number of jury trials declined from 722 in 1984-85 to 631 during the 1985-86 year. Included in the "other" category for dispositions of district court civil (non-magistrate) cases are actions such as removal to federal court or order from another state closing a Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act case.

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		Trial by Jury	Trial by Judge	Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Disposed
District 1								
Camden	Gen	0	0	3	0	5	1	9
	Dom	0	0	2	21	0	2	25
Chowan	Gen	0	4	20	16	24	4	68
	Dom	0	20	9	115	1	5	150
Currituck	Gen	0	19	20	4	4	6	53
	Dom	1	60	16	12	2	9	100
Dare	Gen	3	4	70	24	68	12	181
	Dom	0	10	19	81	1	18	129
Gates	Gen	0	2	5	0	4	2	13
	Dom	3	24	9	33	3	0	72
Pasquotank	Gen	5	17	58	4	63	12	159
	Dom	0	198	23	65	3	16	305
Perquimans	Gen	0	2	9	6	11	2	30
	Dom	0	44	10	15	1	2	72
Dist Totals	Gen	8	48	185	54	179	39	513
% of Total		1.6%	9.4%	36.1%	10.5%	34.9%	7.6%	100.0%
	Dom	4	356	88	342	11	52	853
% of Total		0.5%	41.7%	10.3%	40.1%	1.3%	6.1%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	Gen	7	21	50	26	38	19	161
	Dom	0	209	11	97	0	31	348
Hyde	Gen	0	0	13	26	4	2	45
	Dom	0	0	3	46	1	3	53
Martin	Gen	1	1	24	43	28	6	103
	Dom	0	19	13	248	1	29	310
Tyrrell	Gen	0	0	2	4	3	0	9
	Dom	0	2	1	21	1	0	25
Washington	Gen	3	16	35	8	77	5	144
	Dom	2	50	14	47	1	8	122
Dist Totals	Gen	11	38	124	107	150	32	462
% of Total		2.4%	8.2%	26.8%	23.2%	32.5%	6.9%	100.0%
	Dom	2	280	42	459	4	71	858
% of Total		0.2%	32.6%	4.9%	53.5%	0.5%	8.3%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	Gen	2	72	113	8	85	19	299
	Dom	1	439	43	48	1	268	800
Craven	Gen	13	46	207	87	360	125	838
	Dom	0	606	67	135	5	434	1,247
Pamlico	Gen	0	5	11	2	8	6	32
	Dom	0	29	6	33	0	53	121
Pitt	Gen	2	25	238	383	0	27	675
	Dom	0	473	37	187	0	349	1,046
Dist Totals	Gen	17	148	569	480	453	177	1,844
% of Total		0.9%	8.0%	30.9%	26.0%	24.6%	9.6%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,547	153	403	6	1,104	3,214
% of Total		.0%	48.1%	4.8%	12.5%	0.2%	34.3%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	Gen	0	19	60	27	72	13	191
	Dom	0	56	15	279	0	7	357
Jones	Gen	0	0	13	38	12	1	64
	Dom	0	0	4	69	0	0	73
Onslow	Gen	4	139	189	21	104	16	473
	Dom	1	1,015	91	147	36	186	1,476
Sampson	Gen	2	25	73	9	82	5	196
	Dom	1	256	53	186	3	4	503
Dist Totals	Gen	6	183	335	95	270	35	924
% of Total		0.6%	19.8%	36.3%	10.3%	29.2%	3.8%	100.0%
	Dom	2	1,327	163	681	39	197	2,409
% of Total		0.1%	55.1%	6.8%	28.3%	1.6%	8.2%	100.0%

*Cases covered in this table are general civil and appeals/transfers from magistrates to judges, all identified as (GEN), and Domestic Relations (DOM) cases.

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District 5								
New Hanover	Gen	23	139	560	217	661	224	1,824
	Dom	1	852	115	532	3	119	1,622
Pender	Gen	0	17	47	21	27	10	122
	Dom	0	83	22	155	0	30	290
Dist Totals	Gen	23	156	607	238	688	234	1,946
% of Total		1.2%	8.0%	31.2%	12.2%	35.4%	12.0%	100.0%
	Dom	1	935	137	687	3	149	1,912
% of Total		0.1%	48.9%	7.2%	35.9%	0.2%	7.8%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	Gen	0	14	22	4	23	2	65
	Dom	0	109	7	143	5	4	268
Halifax	Gen	0	39	61	69	57	2	228
	Dom	0	241	25	471	4	13	754
Hertford	Gen	3	11	43	18	65	2	142
	Dom	1	128	12	133	4	23	301
Northampton	Gen	0	9	21	0	22	0	52
	Dom	2	187	8	1	0	29	227
Dist Totals	Gen	3	73	147	91	167	6	487
% of Total		0.6%	15.0%	30.2%	18.7%	34.3%	1.2%	100.0%
	Dom	3	665	52	748	13	69	1,550
% of Total		0.2%	42.9%	3.4%	48.3%	0.8%	4.5%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	Gen	4	26	92	62	90	14	288
	Dom	0	310	61	235	1	48	655
Nash	Gen	5	50	183	30	243	56	567
	Dom	1	471	41	143	6	73	735
Wilson	Gen	3	48	114	63	158	33	419
	Dom	2	467	53	193	6	90	811
Dist Totals	Gen	12	124	389	155	491	103	1,274
% of Total		0.9%	9.7%	30.5%	12.2%	38.5%	8.1%	100.0%
	Dom	3	1,248	155	571	13	211	2,201
% of Total		0.1%	56.7%	7.0%	25.9%	0.6%	9.6%	100.0%
District 8								
Greene	Gen	0	0	6	18	0	0	24
	Dom	0	1	6	131	0	16	154
Lenoir	Gen	3	60	170	45	206	2	486
	Dom	2	416	85	131	10	4	648
Wayne	Gen	7	120	238	63	216	33	677
	Dom	3	903	122	66	23	53	1,170
Dist Totals	Gen	10	180	414	126	422	35	1,187
% of Total		0.8%	15.2%	34.9%	10.6%	35.6%	2.9%	100.0%
	Dom	5	1,320	213	328	33	73	1,972
% of Total		0.3%	66.9%	10.8%	16.6%	1.7%	3.7%	100.0%
District 9								
Franklin	Gen	0	0	31	28	29	4	92
	Dom	0	0	31	229	5	6	271
Granville	Gen	3	18	47	15	33	16	132
	Dom	1	131	39	35	52	25	283
Person	Gen	2	27	28	3	30	2	92
	Dom	1	257	17	4	4	3	286
Vance	Gen	2	30	53	15	71	14	185
	Dom	0	240	36	183	0	20	479
Warren	Gen	1	7	16	10	19	1	54
	Dom	0	78	21	112	0	1	212
Dist Totals	Gen	8	82	175	71	182	37	555
% of Total		1.4%	14.8%	31.5%	12.8%	32.8%	6.7%	100.0%
	Dom	2	706	144	563	61	55	1,531
% of Total		0.1%	46.1%	9.4%	36.8%	4.0%	3.6%	100.0%

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District 10								
Wake	Gen	19	177	1,044	490	1,855	363	3,948
% of Total		0.5%	4.5%	26.4%	12.4%	47.0%	9.2%	100.0%
	Dom	1	2,081	150	777	2	158	3,169
% of Total		.0%	65.7%	4.7%	24.5%	0.1%	5.0%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	Gen	9	43	161	80	121	4	418
	Dom	1	356	56	204	13	10	640
Johnston	Gen	1	35	189	110	225	9	569
	Dom	19	494	91	279	9	9	901
Lee	Gen	5	59	143	39	145	1	392
	Dom	0	322	62	123	4	0	511
Dist Totals	Gen	15	137	493	229	491	14	1,379
% of Total		1.1%	9.9%	35.8%	16.6%	35.6%	1.0%	100.0%
	Dom	20	1,172	209	606	26	19	2,052
% of Total		1.0%	57.1%	10.2%	29.5%	1.3%	0.9%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	Gen	9	347	310	77	389	119	1,251
	Dom	0	2,868	321	741	17	257	4,204
Hoke	Gen	2	19	31	5	32	1	90
	Dom	0	69	16	84	1	0	170
Dist Totals	Gen	11	366	341	82	421	120	1,341
% of Total		0.8%	27.3%	25.4%	6.1%	31.4%	8.9%	100.0%
	Dom	0	2,937	337	825	18	257	4,374
% of Total		0.0%	67.1%	7.7%	18.9%	0.4%	5.9%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	Gen	5	44	145	28	114	11	347
	Dom	0	70	19	142	3	19	253
Brunswick	Gen	5	51	215	26	107	0	404
	Dom	0	234	33	116	2	0	385
Columbus	Gen	13	57	159	33	144	16	422
	Dom	0	361	94	157	0	27	639
Dist Totals	Gen	23	152	519	87	365	27	1,173
% of Total		2.0%	13.0%	44.2%	7.4%	31.1%	2.3%	100.0%
	Dom	0	665	146	415	5	46	1,277
% of Total		0.0%	52.1%	11.4%	32.5%	0.4%	3.6%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	Gen	6	173	369	26	697	167	1,438
% of Total		0.4%	12.0%	25.7%	1.8%	48.5%	11.6%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,038	131	452	3	211	1,836
% of Total		0.1%	56.5%	7.1%	24.6%	0.2%	11.5%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	Gen	8	74	181	96	239	25	623
% of Total		1.3%	11.9%	29.1%	15.4%	38.4%	4.0%	100.0%
	Dom	0	723	84	263	14	14	1,098
% of Total		0.0%	65.8%	7.7%	24.0%	1.3%	1.3%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	Gen	6	12	26	8	26	25	103
	Dom	1	124	18	104	0	37	284
Orange	Gen	3	54	179	41	191	48	516
	Dom	2	307	27	78	45	58	517
Dist Totals	Gen	9	66	205	49	217	73	619
% of Total		1.5%	10.7%	33.1%	7.9%	35.1%	11.8%	100.0%
	Dom	3	431	45	182	45	95	801
% of Total		0.4%	53.8%	5.6%	22.7%	5.6%	11.9%	100.0%

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District 16								
Robeson	Gen	1	182	359	24	249	44	859
	Dom	0	597	75	316	11	65	1,064
Scotland	Gen	1	23	42	21	66	12	165
	Dom	0	155	26	144	1	19	345
Dist Totals	Gen	2	205	401	45	315	56	1,024
% of Total		0.2%	20.0%	39.2%	4.4%	30.8%	5.5%	100.0%
	Dom	0	752	101	460	12	84	1,409
% of Total		0.0%	53.4%	7.2%	32.6%	0.9%	6.0%	100.0%
District 17A								
Caswell	Gen	0	0	11	25	6	4	46
	Dom	0	1	9	121	1	22	154
Rockingham	Gen	4	40	109	19	170	8	350
	Dom	3	442	63	234	5	66	813
Dist Totals	Gen	4	40	120	44	176	12	396
% of Total		1.0%	10.1%	30.3%	11.1%	44.4%	3.0%	100.0%
	Dom	3	443	72	355	6	88	967
% of Total		0.3%	45.8%	7.4%	36.7%	0.6%	9.1%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	Gen	1	12	40	8	28	7	96
	Dom	2	97	27	55	5	14	200
Surry	Gen	7	39	112	37	189	2	386
	Dom	1	248	35	193	2	5	484
Dist Totals	Gen	8	51	152	45	217	9	482
% of Total		1.7%	10.6%	31.5%	9.3%	45.0%	1.9%	100.0%
	Dom	3	345	62	248	7	19	684
% of Total		0.4%	50.4%	9.1%	36.3%	1.0%	2.8%	100.0%
District 18								
Guilford	Gen	35	374	1,098	411	1,627	190	3,735
% of Total		0.9%	10.0%	29.4%	11.0%	43.6%	5.1%	100.0%
	Dom	10	3,142	156	271	31	169	3,779
% of Total		0.3%	83.1%	4.1%	7.2%	0.8%	4.5%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	Gen	3	67	117	31	108	9	335
	Dom	2	591	93	189	5	67	947
Rowan	Gen	0	86	197	66	184	3	536
	Dom	1	712	100	129	6	14	962
Dist Totals	Gen	3	153	314	97	292	12	871
% of Total		0.3%	17.6%	36.1%	11.1%	33.5%	1.4%	100.0%
	Dom	3	1,303	193	318	11	81	1,909
% of Total		0.2%	68.3%	10.1%	16.7%	0.6%	4.2%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	Gen	0	27	119	12	71	0	229
	Dom	0	136	12	7	0	3	158
Randolph	Gen	3	32	65	16	160	16	292
	Dom	0	370	63	188	3	78	702
Dist Totals	Gen	3	59	184	28	231	16	521
% of Total		0.6%	11.3%	35.3%	5.4%	44.3%	3.1%	100.0%
	Dom	0	506	75	195	3	81	860
% of Total		0.0%	58.8%	8.7%	22.7%	0.3%	9.4%	100.0%

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District 20								
Anson	Gen	2	14	29	16	18	0	79
	Dom	0	84	23	104	6	1	218
Moore	Gen	5	74	116	24	62	1	282
	Dom	0	373	48	83	2	8	514
Richmond	Gen	0	42	119	1	74	5	241
	Dom	0	352	21	1	26	25	425
Stanly	Gen	4	23	100	175	0	1	303
	Dom	0	202	10	107	1	3	323
Union	Gen	13	41	121	18	121	3	317
	Dom	6	351	50	99	3	6	515
Dist Totals	Gen	24	194	485	234	275	10	1,222
% of Total		2.0%	15.9%	39.7%	19.1%	22.5%	0.8%	100.0%
	Dom	6	1,362	152	394	38	43	1,995
% of Total		0.3%	68.3%	7.6%	19.7%	1.9%	2.2%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	Gen	10	78	857	360	1,146	43	2,494
% of Total		0.4%	3.1%	34.4%	14.4%	46.0%	1.7%	100.0%
	Dom	4	1,775	213	606	17	40	2,655
% of Total		0.2%	66.9%	8.0%	22.8%	0.6%	1.5%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	Gen	0	13	16	5	36	6	76
	Dom	0	92	8	61	0	19	180
Davidson	Gen	9	64	145	44	144	21	427
	Dom	0	471	82	292	11	37	893
Davie	Gen	1	24	44	12	39	2	122
	Dom	0	110	45	25	2	1	183
Iredell	Gen	10	106	180	14	280	22	612
	Dom	0	485	101	143	13	24	766
Dist Totals	Gen	20	207	385	75	499	51	1,237
% of Total		1.6%	16.7%	31.1%	6.1%	40.3%	4.1%	100.0%
	Dom	0	1,158	236	521	26	81	2,022
% of Total		0.0%	57.3%	11.7%	25.8%	1.3%	4.0%	100.0%
District 23								
Alleghany	Gen	3	10	44	1	34	3	95
	Dom	7	52	11	8	1	6	85
Ashe	Gen	1	15	20	6	16	4	62
	Dom	1	125	18	13	3	7	167
Wilkes	Gen	17	43	134	131	205	9	539
	Dom	0	219	43	153	9	11	435
Yadkin	Gen	8	8	41	17	32	6	112
	Dom	3	100	13	62	4	21	203
Dist Totals	Gen	29	76	239	155	287	22	808
% of Total		3.6%	9.4%	29.6%	19.2%	35.5%	2.7%	100.0%
	Dom	11	496	85	236	17	45	890
% of Total		1.2%	55.7%	9.6%	26.5%	1.9%	5.1%	100.0%
District 24								
Avery	Gen	0	12	53	10	76	3	154
	Dom	0	60	11	21	2	5	99
Madison	Gen	0	14	9	47	3	6	79
	Dom	0	0	3	6	0	11	20
Mitchell	Gen	1	4	35	43	2	8	93
	Dom	1	10	16	69	0	15	111
Watauga	Gen	3	27	123	27	59	13	252
	Dom	1	168	26	59	1	24	279
Yancey	Gen	0	5	13	14	4	3	39
	Dom	9	57	17	25	0	5	113
Dist Totals	Gen	4	62	233	141	144	33	617
% of Total		0.6%	10.0%	37.8%	22.9%	23.3%	5.3%	100.0%
	Dom	11	295	73	180	3	60	622
% of Total		1.8%	47.4%	11.7%	28.9%	0.5%	9.6%	100.0%

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District 25								
Burke	Gen	7	64	224	51	65	2	413
	Dom	2	453	58	186	2	4	705
Caldwell	Gen	13	12	130	141	100	9	405
	Dom	3	341	62	289	4	160	859
Catawba	Gen	3	74	212	86	334	22	731
	Dom	0	747	101	355	4	9	1,216
Dist Totals	Gen	23	150	566	278	499	33	1,549
% of Total		1.5%	9.7%	36.5%	17.9%	32.2%	2.1%	100.0%
	Dom	5	1,541	221	830	10	173	2,780
% of Total		0.2%	55.4%	7.9%	29.9%	0.4%	6.2%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	Gen	40	1,224	1,938	743	2,452	40	6,437
% of Total		0.6%	19.0%	30.1%	11.5%	38.1%	0.6%	100.0%
	Dom	6	3,711	274	863	35	461	5,350
% of Total		0.1%	69.4%	5.1%	16.1%	0.7%	8.6%	100.0%
District 27A								
Gaston	Gen	26	91	221	28	211	68	645
% of Total		4.0%	14.1%	34.3%	4.3%	32.7%	10.5%	100.0%
	Dom	0	1,568	107	307	8	514	2,504
% of Total		0.0%	62.6%	4.3%	12.3%	0.3%	20.5%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	Gen	7	53	73	20	95	29	277
	Dom	1	502	92	314	7	55	971
Lincoln	Gen	6	42	47	17	57	1	170
	Dom	1	274	47	82	4	0	408
Dist Totals	Gen	13	95	120	37	152	30	447
% of Total		2.9%	21.3%	26.8%	8.3%	34.0%	6.7%	100.0%
	Dom	2	776	139	396	11	55	1,379
% of Total		0.1%	56.3%	10.1%	28.7%	0.8%	4.0%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	Gen	30	178	362	185	533	142	1,430
% of Total		2.1%	12.4%	25.3%	12.9%	37.3%	9.9%	100.0%
	Dom	8	1,063	157	602	35	104	1,969
% of Total		0.4%	54.0%	8.0%	30.6%	1.8%	5.3%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	Gen	2	42	95	120	13	22	294
	Dom	0	296	52	170	0	60	578
McDowell	Gen	2	11	32	27	64	12	148
	Dom	0	41	32	234	4	6	317
Polk	Gen	0	2	11	24	5	6	48
	Dom	0	4	5	64	1	10	84
Rutherford	Gen	9	41	43	15	35	3	146
	Dom	2	402	38	84	3	14	543
Transylvania	Gen	7	31	45	20	57	1	161
	Dom	2	129	19	74	0	3	227
Dist Totals	Gen	20	127	226	206	174	44	797
% of Total		2.5%	15.9%	28.4%	25.8%	21.8%	5.5%	100.0%
	Dom	4	872	146	626	8	93	1,749
% of Total		0.2%	49.9%	8.3%	35.8%	0.5%	5.3%	100.0%

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District 30								
Cherokee	Gen	0	9	17	12	16	3	57
	Dom	0	89	29	34	0	11	163
Clay	Gen	2	6	10	6	5	1	30
	Dom	0	4	3	3	1	1	12
Graham	Gen	0	2	4	4	3	3	16
	Dom	1	28	9	12	2	2	54
Haywood	Gen	3	57	69	13	44	9	195
	Dom	9	273	66	75	9	32	464
Jackson	Gen	3	17	62	19	42	10	153
	Dom	0	91	24	67	1	15	198
Macon	Gen	3	17	47	9	49	38	163
	Dom	2	99	23	39	0	27	190
Swain	Gen	1	6	18	9	9	5	48
	Dom	0	33	40	35	3	5	116
Dist Totals	Gen	12	114	227	72	168	69	662
% of Total		1.8%	17.2%	34.3%	10.9%	25.4%	10.4%	100.0%
	Dom	12	617	194	265	16	93	1,197
% of Total		1.0%	51.5%	16.2%	22.1%	1.3%	7.8%	100.0%
State Totals	Gen	495	5,655	14,225	5,660	16,685	2,367	45,087
% of Total		1.1%	12.5%	31.6%	12.6%	37.0%	5.2%	100.0%
	Dom	136	39,156	4,905	15,975	590	5,065	65,827
% of Total		0.2%	59.5%	7.5%	24.3%	0.9%	7.7%	100.0%

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AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)								
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 1									
Camden	15	88.2%	2	11.8%	0	0.0%	17	102.1	84.0
Chowan	22	57.9%	6	15.8%	10	26.3%	38	295.3	119.5
Currituck	17	53.1%	9	28.1%	6	18.8%	32	198.9	130.0
Dare	44	51.2%	20	23.3%	22	25.6%	86	241.0	149.0
Gates	6	37.5%	4	25.0%	6	37.5%	16	445.7	261.0
Pasquotank	56	57.1%	15	15.3%	27	27.6%	98	262.8	126.5
Perquimans	27	54.0%	5	10.0%	18	36.0%	50	356.2	127.5
District Totals	187	55.5%	61	18.1%	89	26.4%	337	269.3	133.0
District 2									
Beaufort	82	57.7%	21	14.8%	39	27.5%	142	260.2	130.0
Hyde	12	63.2%	1	5.3%	6	31.6%	19	303.5	111.0
Martin	58	52.3%	14	12.6%	39	35.1%	111	545.3	145.0
Tyrrell	4	40.0%	3	30.0%	3	30.0%	10	359.8	234.5
Washington	19	55.9%	9	26.5%	6	17.6%	34	189.9	92.0
District Totals	175	55.4%	48	15.2%	93	29.4%	316	358.6	144.0
District 3									
Carteret	112	65.9%	42	24.7%	16	9.4%	170	154.6	113.5
Craven	202	55.2%	132	36.1%	32	8.7%	366	191.6	148.5
Pamlico	17	53.1%	15	46.9%	0	0.0%	32	171.5	129.0
Pitt	149	65.4%	61	26.8%	18	7.9%	228	151.0	101.5
District Totals	480	60.3%	250	31.4%	66	8.3%	796	171.2	124.0
District 4									
Duplin	93	59.2%	36	22.9%	28	17.8%	157	243.4	115.0
Jones	9	20.0%	5	11.1%	31	68.9%	45	990.0	852.0
Onslow	474	37.4%	169	13.3%	625	49.3%	1,268	512.7	351.5
Sampson	110	49.1%	38	17.0%	76	33.9%	224	309.9	187.5
District Totals	686	40.5%	248	14.6%	760	44.9%	1,694	473.6	299.0
District 5									
New Hanover	330	53.7%	129	21.0%	156	25.4%	615	262.0	154.0
Pender	61	54.0%	25	22.1%	27	23.9%	113	264.5	146.0
District Totals	391	53.7%	154	21.2%	183	25.1%	728	262.4	151.5
District 6									
Bertie	53	59.6%	31	34.8%	5	5.6%	89	173.3	154.0
Halifax	167	86.1%	20	10.3%	7	3.6%	194	99.6	61.0
Hertford	73	64.6%	34	30.1%	6	5.3%	113	159.7	147.0
Northampton	43	76.8%	10	17.9%	3	5.4%	56	124.0	85.0
District Totals	336	74.3%	95	21.0%	21	4.6%	452	132.2	87.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	106	61.3%	29	16.8%	38	22.0%	173	222.1	123.0
Nash	163	73.8%	32	14.5%	26	11.8%	221	151.0	75.0
Wilson	135	55.8%	30	12.4%	77	31.8%	242	333.3	156.0
District Totals	404	63.5%	91	14.3%	141	22.2%	636	239.7	113.5
District 8									
Greene	26	68.4%	8	21.1%	4	10.5%	38	143.3	100.0
Lenoir	192	59.4%	71	22.0%	60	18.6%	323	196.5	138.0
Wayne	256	59.8%	128	29.9%	44	10.3%	428	181.9	125.0
District Totals	474	60.1%	207	26.2%	108	13.7%	789	186.0	129.0

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District 9									
Franklin	64	58.2%	22	20.0%	24	21.8%	110	260.5	143.0
Granville	74	65.5%	19	16.8%	20	17.7%	113	179.5	102.0
Person	47	69.1%	10	14.7%	11	16.2%	68	162.8	74.5
Vance	95	59.4%	40	25.0%	25	15.6%	160	210.5	136.0
Warren	50	61.0%	18	22.0%	14	17.1%	82	198.8	142.0
District Totals	330	61.9%	109	20.5%	94	17.6%	533	206.4	117.0
District 10									
Wake	916	36.8%	405	16.3%	1167	46.9%	2,488	469.6	335.0
District 11									
Harnett	156	78.8%	34	17.2%	8	4.0%	198	117.7	76.5
Johnston	175	63.9%	57	20.8%	42	15.3%	274	175.5	120.5
Lee	89	72.4%	29	23.6%	5	4.1%	123	118.4	56.0
District Totals	420	70.6%	120	20.2%	55	9.2%	595	144.5	89.0
District 12									
Cumberland	1,266	51.7%	551	22.5%	631	25.8%	2,448	242.7	165.0
Hoke	35	41.2%	13	15.3%	37	43.5%	85	566.9	283.0
District Totals	1,301	51.4%	564	22.3%	668	26.4%	2,533	253.6	167.0
District 13									
Bladen	34	77.3%	4	9.1%	6	13.6%	44	161.8	66.0
Brunswick	97	47.1%	40	19.4%	69	33.5%	206	347.2	272.0
Columbus	154	51.9%	63	21.2%	80	26.9%	297	244.2	[illegible]
District Totals	285	52.1%	107	19.6%	155	28.3%	547	276.4	165.0
District 14									
Durham	500	49.8%	166	16.5%	338	33.7%	1,004	325.6	181.0
District 15A									
Alamance	205	79.5%	33	12.8%	20	7.8%	258	112.2	47.0
District 15B									
Chatham	49	41.9%	24	20.5%	44	37.6%	117	307.8	242.0
Orange	116	55.2%	50	23.8%	44	21.0%	210	215.4	148.5
District Totals	165	50.5%	74	22.6%	88	26.9%	327	248.5	178.0
District 16									
Robeson	204	64.4%	53	16.7%	60	18.9%	317	190.4	109.0
Scotland	68	61.3%	23	20.7%	20	18.0%	111	185.2	108.0
District Totals	272	63.6%	76	17.8%	80	18.7%	428	189.0	108.5
District 17A									
Caswell	37	64.9%	16	28.1%	4	7.0%	57	176.2	103.0
Rockingham	160	61.5%	70	26.9%	30	11.5%	260	175.0	131.5
District Totals	197	62.1%	86	27.1%	34	10.7%	317	175.2	119.0
District 17B									
Stokes	46	66.7%	18	26.1%	5	7.2%	69	145.4	109.0
Surry	110	55.8%	42	21.3%	45	22.8%	197	236.7	144.0
District Totals	156	58.6%	60	22.6%	50	18.8%	266	213.0	125.0

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District 18									
Guilford	796	49.2%	313	19.4%	508	31.4%	1,617	291.9	196.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	185	58.5%	50	15.8%	81	25.6%	316	208.9	131.0
Rowan	187	72.2%	41	15.8%	31	12.0%	259	156.2	69.0
District Totals	372	64.7%	91	15.8%	112	19.5%	575	185.1	97.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	46	51.1%	21	23.3%	23	25.6%	90	248.2	178.5
Randolph	166	66.4%	51	20.4%	33	13.2%	250	168.9	88.5
District Totals	212	62.4%	72	21.2%	56	16.5%	340	189.9	106.5
District 20									
Anson	48	54.5%	17	19.3%	23	26.1%	88	266.9	125.0
Moore	137	49.5%	37	13.4%	103	37.2%	277	360.8	195.0
Richmond	95	45.5%	44	21.1%	70	33.5%	209	321.7	224.0
Stanly	79	44.1%	19	10.6%	81	45.3%	179	454.8	266.0
Union	143	40.9%	68	19.4%	139	39.7%	350	341.7	257.0
District Totals	502	45.5%	185	16.8%	416	37.7%	1,103	355.1	234.0
District 21									
Forsyth	695	56.5%	191	15.5%	344	28.0%	1,230	284.5	131.5
District 22									
Alexander	40	69.0%	10	17.2%	8	13.8%	58	162.3	63.0
Davidson	212	57.1%	83	22.4%	76	20.5%	371	215.4	132.0
Davie	40	55.6%	9	12.5%	23	31.9%	72	280.8	151.5
Iredell	190	76.3%	42	16.9%	17	6.8%	249	133.7	76.0
District Totals	482	64.3%	144	19.2%	124	16.5%	750	190.4	103.5
District 23									
Alleghany	16	80.0%	3	15.0%	1	5.0%	20	109.2	71.5
Ashe	34	75.6%	10	22.2%	1	2.2%	45	112.1	47.0
Wilkes	96	73.8%	24	18.5%	10	7.7%	130	123.8	60.0
Yadkin	51	68.9%	14	18.9%	9	12.2%	74	170.5	88.5
District Totals	197	73.2%	51	19.0%	21	7.8%	269	133.6	66.0
District 24									
Avery	34	40.5%	15	17.9%	35	41.7%	84	379.6	281.0
Madison	6	25.0%	4	16.7%	14	58.3%	24	616.6	480.5
Mitchell	20	60.6%	8	24.2%	5	15.2%	33	220.9	89.0
Watauga	72	64.3%	19	17.0%	21	18.8%	112	218.2	113.0
Yancey	29	82.9%	4	11.4%	2	5.7%	35	126.9	102.0
District Totals	161	55.9%	50	17.4%	77	26.7%	288	287.7	159.5
District 25									
Burke	184	53.3%	71	20.6%	90	26.1%	345	334.5	147.0
Caldwell	162	69.2%	41	17.5%	31	13.2%	234	169.3	94.5
Catawba	294	55.6%	92	17.4%	143	27.0%	529	242.5	140.0
District Totals	640	57.8%	204	18.4%	264	23.8%	1,108	255.7	130.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,133	68.2%	398	23.9%	131	7.9%	1,662	141.0	90.0

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District 27A									
Gaston	458	71.2%	137	21.3%	48	7.5%	643	133.3	77.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	194	89.0%	20	9.2%	4	1.8%	218	88.6	62.0
Lincoln	83	92.2%	6	6.7%	1	1.1%	90	79.4	63.0
District Totals	277	89.9%	26	8.4%	5	1.6%	308	85.9	62.5
District 28									
Buncombe	520	71.4%	144	19.8%	64	8.8%	728	151.1	102.0
District 29									
Henderson	164	52.4%	70	22.4%	79	25.2%	313	244.7	150.0
McDowell	68	59.6%	27	23.7%	19	16.7%	114	218.1	158.0
Polk	11	44.0%	9	36.0%	5	20.0%	25	247.9	216.0
Rutherford	113	47.1%	30	12.5%	97	40.4%	240	338.8	229.0
Transylvania	54	32.0%	34	20.1%	81	47.9%	169	448.6	335.0
District Totals	410	47.6%	170	19.7%	281	32.6%	861	307.5	215.0
District 30									
Cherokee	35	57.4%	11	18.0%	15	24.6%	61	278.2	129.0
Clay	4	66.7%	4	66.7%	9	150.0%	6	431.1	375.0
Graham	28	87.5%	4	12.5%	0	0.0%	32	101.5	98.5
Haywood	122	52.4%	59	25.3%	52	22.3%	233	279.0	173.0
Jackson	51	62.2%	20	24.4%	11	13.4%	82	194.8	117.5
Macon	48	53.3%	17	18.9%	25	27.8%	90	298.0	165.0
Swain	31	57.4%	9	16.7%	14	25.9%	54	289.4	148.5
District Totals	319	56.1%	124	21.8%	126	22.1%	569	265.4	152.0
State Totals	15,054	55.6%	5,254	19.4%	6,787	25.0%	27,095	268.8	143.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 1									
Camden	21	84.0%	3	12.0%	1	4.0%	25	128.3	87.0
Chowan	127	84.7%	19	12.7%	4	2.7%	150	89.1	34.5
Currituck	62	62.0%	26	26.0%	12	12.0%	100	190.0	127.0
Dare	99	76.7%	14	10.9%	16	12.4%	129	150.0	85.0
Gates	51	70.8%	12	16.7%	9	12.5%	72	162.2	65.0
Pasquotank	246	80.7%	25	8.2%	34	11.1%	305	137.0	75.0
Perquimans	51	70.8%	9	12.5%	12	16.7%	72	181.2	76.0
District Totals	657	77.0%	108	12.7%	88	10.3%	853	142.3	73.0
District 2									
Beaufort	276	79.3%	18	5.2%	54	15.5%	348	163.5	47.0
Hyde	45	84.9%	2	3.8%	6	11.3%	53	169.5	61.0
Martin	261	84.2%	16	5.2%	33	10.6%	310	207.5	22.0
Tyrrell	22	88.0%	3	12.0%	0	0.0%	25	60.6	34.0
Washington	95	77.9%	19	15.6%	8	6.6%	122	142.3	84.0
District Totals	699	81.5%	58	6.8%	101	11.8%	858	173.7	45.0
District 3									
Carteret	424	53.0%	71	8.9%	305	38.1%	800	436.2	144.0
Craven	704	56.5%	120	9.6%	423	33.9%	1,247	380.8	111.0
Pamlico	58	47.9%	6	5.0%	57	47.1%	121	423.0	325.0
Pitt	620	59.3%	83	7.9%	343	32.8%	1,046	371.7	88.0
District Totals	1,806	56.2%	280	8.7%	1,128	35.1%	3,214	393.2	111.0
District 4									
Duplin	308	86.3%	29	8.1%	20	5.6%	357	104.0	46.0
Jones	58	79.5%	10	13.7%	5	6.8%	73	108.1	0.0
Onslow	1,122	76.0%	135	9.1%	219	14.8%	1,476	295.8	64.0
Sampson	458	91.1%	33	6.6%	12	2.4%	503	70.5	41.0
District Totals	1,946	80.8%	207	8.6%	256	10.6%	2,409	214.6	55.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,183	72.9%	129	8.0%	310	19.1%	1,622	209.3	60.0
Pender	221	76.2%	36	12.4%	33	11.4%	290	144.2	53.0
District Totals	1,404	73.4%	165	8.6%	343	17.9%	1,912	199.5	59.0
District 6									
Bertie	216	80.6%	37	13.8%	15	5.6%	268	94.6	49.0
Halifax	633	84.0%	90	11.9%	31	4.1%	754	86.4	45.0
Hertford	237	78.7%	26	8.6%	38	12.6%	301	117.5	52.0
Northampton	191	84.1%	25	11.0%	11	4.8%	227	93.1	48.0
District Totals	1,277	82.4%	178	11.5%	95	6.1%	1,550	94.8	48.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	529	80.8%	52	7.9%	74	11.3%	655	146.8	51.0
Nash	627	85.3%	56	7.6%	52	7.1%	735	114.4	50.0
Wilson	625	77.1%	64	7.9%	122	15.0%	811	206.0	52.0
District Totals	1,781	80.9%	172	7.8%	248	11.3%	2,201	157.8	51.0
District 8									
Greene	127	82.5%	13	8.4%	14	9.1%	154	102.6	36.5
Lenoir	520	80.2%	66	10.2%	62	9.6%	648	120.5	59.0
Wayne	923	78.9%	207	17.7%	40	3.4%	1,170	108.6	60.0
District Totals	1,570	79.6%	286	14.5%	116	5.9%	1,972	112.0	57.0

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District 9									
Franklin	212	78.2%	45	16.6%	14	5.2%	271	108.7	48.0
Granville	195	68.9%	59	20.8%	29	10.2%	283	142.5	65.0
Person	258	90.2%	18	6.3%	10	3.5%	286	74.4	42.0
Vance	408	85.2%	37	7.7%	34	7.1%	479	88.1	39.0
Warren	155	73.1%	30	14.2%	27	12.7%	212	135.3	66.0
District Totals	1,228	80.2%	189	12.3%	114	7.4%	1,531	105.8	44.0
District 10									
Wake	2,814	88.8%	175	5.5%	180	5.7%	3,169	98.4	45.0
District 11									
Harnett	499	78.0%	109	17.0%	32	5.0%	640	104.8	53.5
Johnston	756	83.9%	106	11.8%	39	4.3%	901	93.6	48.0
Lee	395	77.3%	92	18.0%	24	4.7%	511	104.3	47.0
District Totals	1,650	80.4%	307	15.0%	95	4.6%	2,052	99.7	49.0
District 12									
Cumberland	2,965	70.5%	434	10.3%	805	19.1%	4,204	215.5	71.0
Hoke	156	91.8%	7	4.1%	7	4.1%	170	74.9	12.0
District Totals	3,121	71.4%	441	10.1%	812	18.6%	4,374	210.1	69.0
District 13									
Bladen	241	95.3%	2	0.8%	10	4.0%	253	43.4	0.0
Brunswick	317	82.3%	39	10.1%	29	7.5%	385	118.7	53.0
Columbus	514	80.4%	59	9.2%	66	10.3%	639	116.5	45.0
District Totals	1,072	83.9%	100	7.8%	105	8.2%	1,277	102.7	42.0
District 14									
Durham	1,348	73.4%	158	8.6%	330	18.0%	1,836	191.7	59.0
District 15A									
Alamance	1,041	94.8%	51	4.6%	6	0.5%	1,098	64.5	47.0
District 15B									
Chatham	217	76.4%	20	7.0%	47	16.5%	284	151.3	42.5
Orange	410	79.3%	52	10.1%	55	10.6%	517	127.6	58.0
District Totals	627	78.3%	72	9.0%	102	12.7%	801	136.0	55.0
District 16									
Robeson	923	86.7%	79	7.4%	62	5.8%	1,064	83.9	42.5
Scotland	294	85.2%	37	10.7%	14	4.1%	345	94.2	41.0
District Totals	1,217	86.4%	116	8.2%	76	5.4%	1,409	86.4	42.0
District 17A									
Caswell	95	61.7%	28	18.2%	31	20.1%	154	206.0	71.0
Rockingham	673	82.8%	90	11.1%	50	6.2%	813	97.7	44.0
District Totals	768	79.4%	118	12.2%	81	8.4%	967	114.9	45.0
District 17B									
Stokes	151	75.5%	32	16.0%	17	8.5%	200	124.3	68.5
Surry	433	89.5%	33	6.8%	18	3.7%	484	87.6	48.0
District Totals	584	85.4%	65	9.5%	35	5.1%	684	98.3	50.0

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District 18									
Guilford	3,216	85.1%	225	6.0%	338	8.9%	3,779	113.5	49.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	751	79.3%	63	6.7%	133	14.0%	947	135.4	51.0
Rowan	794	82.5%	73	7.6%	95	9.9%	962	122.0	49.0
District Totals	1,545	80.9%	136	7.1%	228	11.9%	1,909	128.7	50.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	144	91.1%	12	7.6%	2	1.3%	158	82.2	50.5
Randolph	579	82.5%	82	11.7%	41	5.8%	702	100.6	48.0
District Totals	723	84.1%	94	10.9%	43	5.0%	860	97.3	49.0
District 20									
Anson	180	82.6%	16	7.3%	22	10.1%	218	114.2	44.5
Moore	402	78.2%	40	7.8%	72	14.0%	514	191.1	63.0
Richmond	343	80.7%	18	4.2%	64	15.1%	425	153.5	46.0
Stanly	293	90.7%	16	5.0%	14	4.3%	323	77.6	40.0
Union	432	83.9%	23	4.5%	60	11.7%	515	132.3	41.0
District Totals	1,650	82.7%	113	5.7%	232	11.6%	1,995	141.1	48.0
District 21									
Forsyth	2,308	86.9%	176	6.6%	171	6.4%	2,655	102.8	57.0
District 22									
Alexander	148	82.2%	16	8.9%	16	8.9%	180	128.9	44.0
Davidson	747	83.7%	68	7.6%	78	8.7%	893	108.7	50.0
Davie	147	80.3%	13	7.1%	23	12.6%	183	120.7	50.0
Iredell	636	83.0%	73	9.5%	57	7.4%	766	100.9	46.0
District Totals	1,678	83.0%	170	8.4%	174	8.6%	2,022	108.6	48.0
District 23									
Alleghany	81	95.3%	3	3.5%	1	1.2%	85	64.8	47.0
Ashe	144	86.2%	14	8.4%	9	5.4%	167	100.2	42.0
Wilkes	382	87.8%	44	10.1%	9	2.1%	435	75.4	42.0
Yadkin	181	89.2%	14	6.9%	8	3.9%	203	79.6	47.0
District Totals	788	88.5%	75	8.4%	27	3.0%	890	80.0	42.0
District 24									
Avery	72	72.7%	11	11.1%	16	16.2%	99	159.7	69.0
Madison	11	55.0%	7	35.0%	2	10.0%	20	174.0	155.5
Mitchell	68	61.3%	24	21.6%	19	17.1%	111	208.9	92.0
Watauga	211	75.6%	46	16.5%	22	7.9%	279	137.7	88.0
Yancey	94	83.2%	10	8.8%	9	8.0%	113	121.4	55.0
District Totals	456	73.3%	98	15.8%	68	10.9%	622	152.1	81.0
District 25									
Burke	586	83.1%	51	7.2%	68	9.6%	705	128.7	42.0
Caldwell	623	72.5%	63	7.3%	173	20.1%	859	227.0	50.0
Catawba	1,028	84.5%	84	6.9%	104	8.6%	1,216	106.0	43.5
District Totals	2,237	80.5%	198	7.1%	345	12.4%	2,780	149.1	46.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,540	84.9%	265	5.0%	545	10.2%	5,350	107.0	49.0

AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	1,922	76.8%	227	9.1%	355	14.2%	2,504	144.2	49.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	787	81.1%	133	13.7%	51	5.3%	971	101.8	45.0
Lincoln	346	84.8%	53	13.0%	9	2.2%	408	86.5	50.0
District Totals	1,133	82.2%	186	13.5%	60	4.4%	1,379	97.3	46.0
District 28									
Buncombe	1,463	74.3%	400	20.3%	106	5.4%	1,969	119.2	60.0
District 29									
Henderson	423	73.2%	58	10.0%	97	16.8%	578	189.9	55.0
McDowell	264	83.3%	33	10.4%	20	6.3%	317	103.8	48.0
Polk	69	82.1%	8	9.5%	7	8.3%	84	97.0	41.0
Rutherford	459	84.5%	29	5.3%	55	10.1%	543	128.9	43.0
Transylvania	192	84.6%	19	8.4%	16	7.0%	227	104.4	49.0
District Totals	1,407	80.4%	147	8.4%	195	11.1%	1,749	139.8	48.0
District 30									
Cherokee	127	77.9%	23	14.1%	13	8.0%	163	124.5	67.0
Clay	7	116.7%	0	0.0%	5	83.3%	6	300.8	75.0
Graham	39	72.2%	10	18.5%	5	9.3%	54	159.8	71.5
Haywood	267	57.5%	63	13.6%	134	28.9%	464	286.5	105.0
Jackson	154	77.8%	21	10.6%	23	11.6%	198	138.0	57.0
Macon	123	64.7%	25	13.2%	42	22.1%	190	290.0	87.5
Swain	69	59.5%	17	14.7%	30	25.9%	116	302.4	95.5
District Totals	786	65.7%	159	13.3%	252	21.1%	1,197	236.4	79.0
State Totals	52,462	79.7%	5,915	9.0%	7,450	11.3%	65,827	146.6	53.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 1									
Camden	2	25.0%	3	37.5%	3	37.5%	8	417.4	406.0
Chowan	49	68.1%	9	12.5%	14	19.4%	72	313.5	153.5
Currituck	47	82.5%	8	14.0%	2	3.5%	57	188.5	164.0
Dare	83	66.4%	36	28.8%	6	4.8%	125	228.9	164.0
Gates	10	83.3%	1	8.3%	1	8.3%	12	195.9	146.0
Pasquotank	65	64.4%	26	25.7%	10	9.9%	101	216.6	146.0
Perquimans	18	36.7%	22	44.9%	9	18.4%	49	367.5	374.0
District Totals	274	64.6%	105	24.8%	45	10.6%	424	253.5	169.5
District 2									
Beaufort	65	58.0%	32	28.6%	15	13.4%	112	313.0	200.5
Hyde	12	46.2%	7	26.9%	7	26.9%	26	434.8	323.0
Martin	13	34.2%	11	28.9%	14	36.8%	38	602.0	365.0
Tyrrell	12	63.2%	4	21.1%	3	15.8%	19	398.5	102.0
Washington	22	75.9%	5	17.2%	2	6.9%	29	210.4	101.0
District Totals	124	55.4%	59	26.3%	41	18.3%	224	370.1	209.0
District 3									
Carteret	90	80.4%	16	14.3%	6	5.4%	112	174.0	118.5
Craven	244	82.4%	44	14.9%	8	2.7%	296	149.2	97.5
Pamlico	15	71.4%	5	23.8%	1	4.8%	21	201.0	154.0
Pitt	239	88.8%	27	10.0%	3	1.1%	269	123.6	80.0
District Totals	588	84.2%	92	13.2%	18	2.6%	698	144.8	98.0
District 4									
Duplin	66	64.7%	18	17.6%	18	17.6%	102	332.2	196.5
Jones	23	57.5%	10	25.0%	7	17.5%	40	414.9	187.5
Onslow	243	34.3%	189	26.7%	277	39.1%	709	522.0	441.0
Sampson	71	68.3%	16	15.4%	17	16.3%	104	287.8	164.0
District Totals	403	42.2%	233	24.4%	319	33.4%	955	471.7	353.0
District 5									
New Hanover	731	64.7%	232	20.5%	166	14.7%	1,129	272.5	150.0
Pender	48	57.1%	14	16.7%	22	26.2%	84	420.5	226.5
District Totals	779	64.2%	246	20.3%	188	15.5%	1,213	282.7	154.0
District 6									
Bertie	33	94.3%	2	5.7%	0	0.0%	35	110.5	77.0
Halifax	61	82.4%	11	14.9%	2	2.7%	74	155.9	87.5
Hertford	81	69.8%	34	29.3%	1	0.9%	116	195.8	165.0
Northampton	13	81.3%	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	16	128.9	71.0
District Totals	188	78.0%	50	20.7%	3	1.2%	241	166.7	117.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	110	75.9%	20	13.8%	15	10.3%	145	239.7	108.0
Nash	179	76.2%	29	12.3%	27	11.5%	235	241.1	126.0
Wilson	100	54.1%	34	18.4%	51	27.6%	185	492.8	244.0
District Totals	389	68.8%	83	14.7%	93	16.5%	565	323.1	131.0
District 8									
Greene	9	81.8%	2	18.2%	0	0.0%	11	136.8	158.0
Lenoir	192	67.4%	85	29.8%	8	2.8%	285	207.2	194.0
Wayne	325	64.2%	149	29.4%	32	6.3%	506	228.1	193.5
District Totals	526	65.6%	236	29.4%	40	5.0%	802	219.4	192.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 9									
Franklin	33	55.9%	12	20.3%	14	23.7%	59	403.2	222.0
Granville	52	74.3%	16	22.9%	2	2.9%	70	210.2	166.5
Person	41	60.3%	16	23.5%	11	16.2%	68	331.0	179.5
Vance	64	64.0%	26	26.0%	10	10.0%	100	246.7	168.0
Warren	25	71.4%	6	17.1%	4	11.4%	35	241.2	171.0
District Totals	215	64.8%	76	22.9%	41	12.3%	332	283.5	171.5
District 10									
Wake	1,998	69.5%	692	24.1%	183	6.4%	2,873	227.6	138.0
District 11									
Harnett	123	87.2%	16	11.3%	2	1.4%	141	132.0	95.0
Johnston	209	87.1%	26	10.8%	5	2.1%	240	141.1	97.5
Lee	132	83.0%	22	13.8%	5	3.1%	159	176.6	123.0
District Totals	464	85.9%	64	11.9%	12	2.2%	540	149.2	107.0
District 12									
Cumberland	509	61.5%	180	21.8%	138	16.7%	827	270.3	203.0
Hoke	36	58.1%	10	16.1%	16	25.8%	62	422.1	181.5
District Totals	545	61.3%	190	21.4%	154	17.3%	889	280.9	202.0
District 13									
Bladen	99	71.2%	27	19.4%	13	9.4%	139	236.0	164.0
Brunswick	231	44.5%	145	27.9%	143	27.6%	519	410.1	321.0
Columbus	184	50.1%	119	32.4%	64	17.4%	367	318.1	266.0
District Totals	514	50.1%	291	28.4%	220	21.5%	1,025	353.5	269.0
District 14									
Durham	758	55.4%	273	20.0%	337	24.6%	1,368	325.2	231.5
District 15A									
Alamance	192	71.9%	67	25.1%	8	3.0%	267	185.3	115.0
District 15B									
Chatham	33	66.0%	9	18.0%	8	16.0%	50	245.5	99.5
Orange	192	69.6%	79	28.6%	5	1.8%	276	189.3	145.0
District Totals	225	69.0%	88	27.0%	13	4.0%	326	197.9	135.5
District 16									
Robeson	286	65.1%	96	21.9%	57	13.0%	439	271.4	168.0
Scotland	69	73.4%	13	13.8%	12	12.8%	94	237.9	145.5
District Totals	355	66.6%	109	20.5%	69	12.9%	533	265.5	167.0
District 17A									
Caswell	19	52.8%	10	27.8%	7	19.4%	36	269.3	192.0
Rockingham	125	74.9%	36	21.6%	6	3.6%	167	171.1	105.0
District Totals	144	70.9%	46	22.7%	13	6.4%	203	188.5	117.0
District 17B									
Stokes	26	76.5%	8	23.5%	0	0.0%	34	187.2	132.5
Surry	135	75.4%	38	21.2%	6	3.4%	179	179.8	147.0
District Totals	161	75.6%	46	21.6%	6	2.8%	213	180.9	147.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)								
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 18									
Guilford	1,573	61.1%	776	30.1%	226	8.8%	2,575	257.2	189.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	250	65.3%	120	31.3%	13	3.4%	383	200.5	137.0
Rowan	289	69.1%	121	28.9%	8	1.9%	418	201.6	166.0
District Totals	539	67.3%	241	30.1%	21	2.6%	801	201.1	157.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	54	53.5%	30	29.7%	17	16.8%	101	345.6	242.0
Randolph	80	71.4%	24	21.4%	8	7.1%	112	197.0	120.0
District Totals	134	62.9%	54	25.4%	25	11.7%	213	267.5	168.0
District 20									
Anson	46	52.3%	19	21.6%	23	26.1%	88	358.1	250.0
Moore	122	28.3%	136	31.6%	173	40.1%	431	515.4	430.0
Richmond	96	40.7%	98	41.5%	42	17.8%	236	361.2	307.0
Stanly	100	35.6%	41	14.6%	140	49.8%	281	747.5	542.0
Union	187	49.6%	97	25.7%	93	24.7%	377	362.4	277.0
District Totals	551	39.0%	391	27.7%	471	33.3%	1,413	485.2	354.0
District 21									
Forsyth	1,106	61.6%	380	21.2%	309	17.2%	1,795	287.8	166.0
District 22									
Alexander	31	81.6%	6	15.8%	1	2.6%	38	143.7	72.0
Davidson	168	67.5%	69	27.7%	12	4.8%	249	213.7	165.0
Davie	47	62.7%	20	26.7%	8	10.7%	75	275.3	236.0
Iredell	289	89.2%	25	7.7%	10	3.1%	324	133.4	75.0
District Totals	535	78.0%	120	17.5%	31	4.5%	686	178.6	129.0
District 23									
Alleghany	35	89.7%	2	5.1%	2	5.1%	39	136.3	84.0
Ashe	29	67.4%	13	30.2%	1	2.3%	43	207.5	153.0
Wilkes	182	83.5%	22	10.1%	14	6.4%	218	168.4	86.0
Yadkin	35	50.7%	15	21.7%	19	27.5%	69	497.6	263.0
District Totals	281	76.2%	52	14.1%	36	9.8%	369	231.1	111.0
District 24									
Avery	57	66.3%	20	23.3%	9	10.5%	86	256.3	165.0
Madison	40	59.7%	20	29.9%	7	10.4%	67	271.6	216.0
Mitchell	87	90.6%	6	6.3%	3	3.1%	96	119.6	70.0
Watauga	146	70.2%	28	13.5%	34	16.3%	208	227.4	103.0
Yancey	13	86.7%	0	0.0%	2	13.3%	15	178.9	56.0
District Totals	343	72.7%	74	15.7%	55	11.7%	472	215.5	95.5
District 25									
Burke	141	66.2%	34	16.0%	38	17.8%	213	321.7	192.0
Caldwell	105	69.5%	39	25.8%	7	4.6%	151	192.5	145.0
Catawba	284	69.1%	94	22.9%	33	8.0%	411	213.0	150.0
District Totals	530	68.4%	167	21.5%	78	10.1%	775	238.9	154.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	2,480	74.0%	580	17.3%	292	8.7%	3,352	201.9	126.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)								
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 27A									
Gaston	261	72.1%	64	17.7%	37	10.2%	362	205.1	124.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	73	93.6%	5	6.4%	0	0.0%	78	111.4	102.0
Lincoln	48	96.0%	2	4.0%	0	0.0%	50	107.0	93.0
District Totals	121	94.5%	7	5.5%	0	0.0%	128	109.7	98.5
District 28									
Buncombe	600	89.8%	59	8.8%	9	1.3%	668	131.8	101.0
District 29									
Henderson	155	52.7%	82	27.9%	57	19.4%	294	325.5	256.0
McDowell	55	74.3%	11	14.9%	8	10.8%	74	236.0	139.5
Polk	13	59.1%	3	13.6%	6	27.3%	22	301.6	204.0
Rutherford	57	57.6%	29	29.3%	13	13.1%	99	258.7	224.0
Transylvania	143	60.1%	70	29.4%	25	10.5%	238	239.3	103.5
District Totals	423	58.2%	195	26.8%	109	15.0%	727	278.3	209.0
District 30									
Cherokee	20	90.9%	1	4.5%	1	4.5%	22	111.5	56.5
Clay	15	250.0%	8	133.3%	0	0.0%	6	183.0	179.0
Graham	13	72.2%	4	22.2%	1	5.6%	18	206.8	188.0
Haywood	55	64.0%	21	24.4%	10	11.6%	86	270.3	215.0
Jackson	65	82.3%	10	12.7%	4	5.1%	79	171.5	77.0
Macon	31	50.8%	19	31.1%	11	18.0%	61	345.7	243.0
Swain	21	53.8%	11	28.2%	7	17.9%	39	407.7	249.0
District Totals	220	67.1%	74	22.6%	34	10.4%	328	256.6	154.0
State Totals	18,539	65.4%	6,280	22.1%	3,536	12.5%	28,355	261.6	159.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)								
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%	Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 1									
Camden	6	66.7%	3	33.3%	0	0.0%	9	168.1	120.0
Chowan	41	60.3%	12	17.6%	15	22.1%	68	349.8	146.0
Currituck	32	60.4%	13	24.5%	8	15.1%	53	272.6	243.0
Dare	131	72.4%	26	14.4%	24	13.3%	181	218.8	111.0
Gates	8	61.5%	3	23.1%	2	15.4%	13	246.8	178.0
Pasquotank	108	67.9%	20	12.6%	31	19.5%	159	236.2	108.0
Perquimans	22	73.3%	6	20.0%	2	6.7%	30	175.7	86.5
District Totals	348	67.8%	83	16.2%	82	16.0%	513	244.4	123.0
District 2									
Beaufort	87	54.0%	31	19.3%	43	26.7%	161	360.1	232.0
Hyde	39	86.7%	2	4.4%	4	8.9%	45	232.6	203.0
Martin	67	65.0%	11	10.7%	25	24.3%	103	551.0	118.0
Tyrrell	6	66.7%	2	22.2%	1	11.1%	9	211.6	108.0
Washington	124	86.1%	8	5.6%	12	8.3%	144	162.6	76.0
District Totals	323	69.9%	54	11.7%	85	18.4%	462	325.8	120.0
District 3									
Carteret	245	81.9%	34	11.4%	20	6.7%	299	170.0	89.0
Craven	695	82.9%	96	11.5%	47	5.6%	838	169.2	87.5
Pamlico	21	65.6%	7	21.9%	4	12.5%	32	323.5	167.5
Pitt	604	89.5%	55	8.1%	16	2.4%	675	130.4	85.0
District Totals	1,565	84.9%	192	10.4%	87	4.7%	1,844	157.8	87.5
District 4									
Duplin	153	80.1%	30	15.7%	8	4.2%	191	176.1	92.0
Jones	56	87.5%	2	3.1%	6	9.4%	64	179.0	64.5
Onslow	387	81.8%	58	12.3%	28	5.9%	473	189.4	106.0
Sampson	169	86.2%	13	6.6%	14	7.1%	196	149.6	67.0
District Totals	765	82.8%	103	11.1%	56	6.1%	924	177.5	88.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,273	69.8%	279	15.3%	272	14.9%	1,824	261.7	139.0
Pender	51	41.8%	46	37.7%	25	20.5%	122	401.5	340.0
District Totals	1,324	68.0%	325	16.7%	297	15.3%	1,946	270.5	142.0
District 6									
Bertie	54	83.1%	10	15.4%	1	1.5%	65	142.7	73.0
Halifax	163	71.5%	59	25.9%	6	2.6%	228	189.1	161.0
Hertford	117	82.4%	20	14.1%	5	3.5%	142	162.6	99.5
Northampton	45	86.5%	5	9.6%	2	3.8%	52	152.5	100.0
District Totals	379	77.8%	94	19.3%	14	2.9%	487	171.3	118.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	198	68.8%	46	16.0%	44	15.3%	288	300.7	99.5
Nash	408	72.0%	80	14.1%	79	13.9%	567	290.4	116.0
Wilson	270	64.4%	74	17.7%	75	17.9%	419	360.9	140.0
District Totals	876	68.8%	200	15.7%	198	15.5%	1,274	315.9	121.0
District 8									
Greene	16	66.7%	8	33.3%	0	0.0%	24	165.1	65.0
Lenoir	399	82.1%	68	14.0%	19	3.9%	486	145.4	69.0
Wayne	473	69.9%	177	26.1%	27	4.0%	677	184.3	111.0
District Totals	888	74.8%	253	21.3%	46	3.9%	1,187	168.0	89.0

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 9									
Franklin	65	70.7%	19	20.7%	8	8.7%	92	247.7	168.5
Granville	91	68.9%	30	22.7%	11	8.3%	132	236.1	177.0
Person	72	78.3%	13	14.1%	7	7.6%	92	199.2	118.0
Vance	133	71.9%	35	18.9%	17	9.2%	185	242.9	151.0
Warren	40	74.1%	10	18.5%	4	7.4%	54	192.1	96.5
District Totals	401	72.3%	107	19.3%	47	8.5%	555	229.9	151.0
District 10									
Wake	3,352	84.9%	497	12.6%	99	2.5%	3,948	141.0	80.0
District 11									
Harnett	344	82.3%	71	17.0%	3	0.7%	418	154.4	128.5
Johnston	458	80.5%	96	16.9%	15	2.6%	569	156.8	80.0
Lee	300	76.5%	84	21.4%	8	2.0%	392	175.9	147.0
District Totals	1,102	79.9%	251	18.2%	26	1.9%	1,379	161.5	107.0
District 12									
Cumberland	852	68.1%	97	7.8%	302	24.1%	1,251	287.3	110.0
Hoke	83	92.2%	5	5.6%	2	2.2%	90	108.1	71.0
District Totals	935	69.7%	102	7.6%	304	22.7%	1,341	275.2	105.0
District 13									
Bladen	263	75.8%	52	15.0%	32	9.2%	347	182.0	64.0
Brunswick	270	66.8%	82	20.3%	52	12.9%	404	267.2	127.0
Columbus	287	68.0%	57	13.5%	78	18.5%	422	241.8	112.0
District Totals	820	69.9%	191	16.3%	162	13.8%	1,173	232.9	99.0
District 14									
Durham	912	63.4%	169	11.8%	357	24.8%	1,438	295.0	131.0
District 15A									
Alamance	561	90.0%	44	7.1%	18	2.9%	623	127.6	88.0
District 15B									
Chatham	54	52.4%	20	19.4%	29	28.2%	103	359.7	202.0
Orange	396	76.7%	88	17.1%	32	6.2%	516	195.8	114.0
District Totals	450	72.7%	108	17.4%	61	9.9%	619	223.1	118.0
District 16									
Robeson	623	72.5%	158	18.4%	78	9.1%	859	203.7	88.0
Scotland	128	77.6%	23	13.9%	14	8.5%	165	202.2	65.0
District Totals	751	73.3%	181	17.7%	92	9.0%	1,024	203.4	83.0
District 17A									
Caswell	31	67.4%	12	26.1%	3	6.5%	46	198.2	144.5
Rockingham	261	74.6%	80	22.9%	9	2.6%	350	171.1	84.0
District Totals	292	73.7%	92	23.2%	12	3.0%	396	174.2	85.5
District 17B									
Stokes	62	64.6%	23	24.0%	11	11.5%	96	264.3	155.0
Surry	320	82.9%	41	10.6%	25	6.5%	386	174.3	90.0
District Totals	382	79.3%	64	13.3%	36	7.5%	482	192.3	99.0

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)								
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%	Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 18									
Guilford	2,790	74.7%	557	14.9%	388	10.4%	3,735	206.0	91.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	206	61.5%	87	26.0%	42	12.5%	335	257.4	137.0
Rowan	310	57.8%	102	19.0%	124	23.1%	536	288.4	167.0
District Totals	516	59.2%	189	21.7%	166	19.1%	871	276.4	154.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	205	89.5%	12	5.2%	12	5.2%	229	148.7	90.0
Randolph	234	80.1%	36	12.3%	22	7.5%	292	155.7	64.0
District Totals	439	84.3%	48	9.2%	34	6.5%	521	152.6	78.0
District 20									
Anson	54	68.4%	10	12.7%	15	19.0%	79	245.7	141.0
Moore	177	62.8%	32	11.3%	73	25.9%	282	413.0	178.5
Richmond	120	49.8%	16	6.6%	105	43.6%	241	382.1	283.0
Stanly	275	90.8%	16	5.3%	12	4.0%	303	138.4	84.0
Union	213	67.2%	53	16.7%	51	16.1%	317	272.2	117.0
District Totals	839	68.7%	127	10.4%	256	20.9%	1,222	291.5	119.0
District 21									
Forsyth	2,057	82.5%	315	12.6%	122	4.9%	2,494	168.8	93.0
District 22									
Alexander	66	86.8%	8	10.5%	2	2.6%	76	147.9	71.0
Davidson	339	79.4%	66	15.5%	22	5.2%	427	162.6	85.0
Davie	80	65.6%	36	29.5%	6	4.9%	122	217.7	130.0
Iredell	464	75.8%	127	20.8%	21	3.4%	612	173.9	96.0
District Totals	949	76.7%	237	19.2%	51	4.1%	1,237	172.7	90.0
District 23									
Alleghany	79	83.2%	12	12.6%	4	4.2%	95	165.6	140.0
Ashe	41	66.1%	12	19.4%	9	14.5%	62	235.2	95.0
Wilkes	476	88.3%	52	9.6%	11	2.0%	539	141.0	85.0
Yadkin	88	78.6%	22	19.6%	2	1.8%	112	199.7	138.0
District Totals	684	84.7%	98	12.1%	26	3.2%	808	159.3	101.5
District 24									
Avery	131	85.1%	16	10.4%	7	4.5%	154	171.2	102.5
Madison	70	88.6%	6	7.6%	3	3.8%	79	122.6	62.0
Mitchell	80	86.0%	9	9.7%	4	4.3%	93	137.0	74.0
Watauga	199	79.0%	39	15.5%	14	5.6%	252	185.7	114.5
Yancey	34	87.2%	3	7.7%	2	5.1%	39	151.7	89.0
District Totals	514	83.3%	73	11.8%	30	4.9%	617	164.5	96.0
District 25									
Burke	335	81.1%	38	9.2%	40	9.7%	413	223.7	76.0
Caldwell	337	83.2%	56	13.8%	12	3.0%	405	166.7	117.0
Catawba	530	72.5%	159	21.8%	42	5.7%	731	185.7	90.0
District Totals	1,202	77.6%	253	16.3%	94	6.1%	1,549	190.9	93.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,986	77.5%	809	12.6%	642	10.0%	6,437	199.8	123.0

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)								
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%	Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 27A									
Gaston	486	75.3%	102	15.8%	57	8.8%	645	205.8	127.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	245	88.4%	32	11.6%	0	0.0%	277	141.7	99.0
Lincoln	156	91.8%	12	7.1%	2	1.2%	170	140.6	111.5
District Totals	401	89.7%	44	9.8%	2	0.4%	447	141.3	103.0
District 28									
Buncombe	1,222	85.5%	191	13.4%	17	1.2%	1,430	160.2	139.0
District 29									
Henderson	205	69.7%	43	14.6%	46	15.6%	294	273.3	125.5
McDowell	104	70.3%	32	21.6%	12	8.1%	148	209.1	114.0
Polk	38	79.2%	5	10.4%	5	10.4%	48	171.2	54.0
Rutherford	92	63.0%	29	19.9%	25	17.1%	146	251.7	126.5
Transylvania	86	53.4%	41	25.5%	34	21.1%	161	355.4	200.0
District Totals	525	65.9%	150	18.8%	122	15.3%	797	267.9	133.0
District 30									
Cherokee	44	77.2%	12	21.1%	1	1.8%	57	149.8	92.0
Clay	23	76.7%	6	20.0%	1	3.3%	30	160.1	90.0
Graham	9	56.3%	7	43.8%	0	0.0%	16	232.9	222.5
Haywood	96	49.2%	59	30.3%	40	20.5%	195	371.9	280.0
Jackson	124	81.0%	22	14.4%	7	4.6%	153	193.4	141.0
Macon	97	59.5%	22	13.5%	44	27.0%	163	732.1	183.0
Swain	24	50.0%	9	18.8%	15	31.3%	48	427.9	270.0
District Totals	417	63.0%	137	20.7%	108	16.3%	662	391.3	188.0
State Totals	34,453	76.4%	6,440	14.3%	4,194	9.3%	45,087	206.1	105.0

CIVIL MAGISTRATE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Filings	Dispositions
District 1		
Camden	124	110
Chowan	1,069	1,017
Currituck	246	271
Dare	592	573
Gates	201	222
Pasquotank	919	938
Perquimans	404	375
District Totals	3,555	3,506
District 2		
Beaufort	1,226	1,209
Hyde	120	119
Martin	978	921
Tyrrell	259	317
Washington	494	528
District Totals	3,077	3,094
District 3		
Carteret	1,745	1,690
Craven	2,528	2,508
Pamlico	262	262
Pitt	3,592	3,524
District Totals	8,127	7,984
District 4		
Duplin	1,791	1,674
Jones	192	179
Onslow	3,789	3,253
Sampson	1,437	1,334
District Totals	7,209	6,440
District 5		
New Hanover	4,567	4,418
Pender	583	500
District Totals	5,150	4,918
District 6		
Bertie	852	845
Halifax	1,870	1,860
Hertford	655	660
Northampton	908	947
District Totals	4,285	4,312
District 7		
Edgecombe	5,646	5,730
Nash	4,828	4,436
Wilson	3,646	3,615
District Totals	14,120	13,781
District 8		
Greene	422	406
Lenoir	2,539	2,555
Wayne	3,090	2,980
District Totals	6,051	5,941
District 9		
Franklin	888	841
Granville	1,377	1,378
Person	877	846
Vance	2,443	2,095
Warren	760	647
District Totals	6,345	5,807
District 10		
Wake	12,068	11,458
District 11		
Harnett	1,484	1,469
Johnston	1,989	1,928
Lee	982	976
District Totals	4,455	4,373
District 12		
Cumberland	10,261	9,836
Hoke	664	660
District Totals	10,925	10,496
District 13		
Bladen	2,086	1,941
Brunswick	1,411	1,610
Columbus	1,949	1,893
District Totals	5,446	5,444
District 14		
Durham	15,864	15,225
District 15A		
Alamance	3,252	3,456
District 15B		
Chatham	957	940
Orange	1,376	1,353
District Totals	2,333	2,293
District 16		
Robeson	5,210	5,378
Scotland	1,248	1,330
District Totals	6,458	6,708
District 17A		
Caswell	391	352
Rockingham	2,645	2,673
District Totals	3,036	3,025
District 17B		
Stokes	486	471
Surry	2,095	2,399
District Totals	2,581	2,870

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	Filings	Dispositions
District 18		
Guilford	12,914	12,122
District 19A		
Cabarrus	2,125	1,988
Rowan	2,859	2,769
District Totals	4,984	4,757
District 19B		
Montgomery	1,059	1,088
Randolph	1,751	1,758
District Totals	2,810	2,846
District 20		
Anson	1,047	1,043
Moore	1,492	1,548
Richmond	1,823	1,651
Stanly	1,383	1.374
Union	1,970	1,997
District Totals	7,715	7,613
District 21		
Forsyth	11,066	10,882
District 22		
Alexander	542	562
Davidson	2,369	2,561
Davie	471	486
Iredell	2,274	2,308
District Totals	5,656	5,917
District 23		
Alleghany	284	266
Ashe	303	316
Wilkes	1,923	1,873
Yadkin	779	783
District Totals	3,289	3,238
District 24		
Avery	209	185
Madison	130	104
Mitchell	191	186
Watauga	626	702
Yancey	144	114
District Totals	1,300	1,291

	Filings	Dispositions
District 25		
Burke	1,675	1,605
Caldwell	1,539	1,504
Catawba	2,736	2,695
District Totals	5,950	5,804
District 26		
Mecklenburg	27,789	26,333
District 27A		
Gaston	4,463	4,381
District 27B		
Cleveland	2,995	2,966
Lincoln	881	816
District Totals	3,876	3,782
District 28		
Buncombe	4,117	4,198
District 29		
Henderson	871	832
McDowell	506	519
Polk	220	187
Rutherford	1,619	2,117
Transylvania	499	429
District Totals	3,715	4,084
District 30		
Cherokee	283	260
Clay	54	46
Graham	101	100
Haywood	882	892
Jackson	261	266
Macon	404	442
Swain	78	89
District Totals	2,063	2,095
State Totals	226,044	220,474

MATTERS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde-meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 1													
Camden	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	7	4
Chowan	0	3	45	48	0	1	1	2	6	0	0	57	25
Currituck	0	4	24	28	0	0	0	1	5	3	1	38	27
Dare	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	24	24
Gates	0	1	6	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	10	10
Pasquotank	0	32	55	87	0	0	0	1	7	15	1	111	44
Perquimans	0	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4
District Totals	0	42	154	196	0	1	1	7	23	21	4	252	138
District 2													
Beaufort	0	19	118	137	7	5	12	5	1	1	0	156	63
Hyde	0	1	8	9	0	0	0	5	8	3	1	26	12
Martin	0	32	23	55	1	2	3	4	17	2	1	82	53
Tyrrell	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
Washington	0	3	21	24	0	0	0	5	11	1	0	41	26
District Totals	0	55	171	226	8	7	15	19	37	7	2	306	158
District 3													
Carteret	0	28	60	88	5	9	14	12	9	6	0	129	54
Craven	0	54	144	198	5	6	11	7	11	3	40	270	161
Pamlico	0	0	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	18	17
Pitt	0	69	143	212	1	13	14	27	23	7	4	287	119
District Totals	0	151	363	514	11	28	39	46	43	18	44	704	351
District 4													
Duplin	0	67	27	94	5	3	8	0	14	1	3	120	53
Jones	0	0	8	8	2	0	2	5	1	1	0	17	17
Onslow	0	141	127	268	6	3	9	5	31	35	4	352	154
Sampson	0	3	30	33	0	1	1	4	11	8	11	68	45
District Totals	0	211	192	403	13	7	20	14	57	45	18	557	269
District 5													
New Hanover	0	141	407	548	0	76	76	13	25	2	7	671	216
Pender	0	1	45	46	1	8	9	1	0	1	0	57	36
District Totals	0	142	452	594	1	84	85	14	25	3	7	728	252
District 6													
Bertie	0	1	9	10	0	0	0	1	5	4	0	20	19
Halifax	0	51	145	196	0	17	17	4	38	4	0	259	107
Hertford	0	15	31	46	0	5	5	4	9	3	0	67	48
Northampton	0	19	26	45	0	1	1	3	6	0	0	55	34
District Totals	0	86	211	297	0	23	23	12	58	11	0	401	208
District 7													
Edgecombe	0	48	179	227	3	7	10	5	39	20	1	302	114
Nash	0	55	134	189	0	5	5	19	16	7	14	250	116
Wilson	0	44	125	169	0	5	5	2	16	10	9	211	96
District Totals	0	147	438	585	3	17	20	26	71	37	24	763	326
District 8													
Greene	7	2	1	10	3	1	4	7	6	2	0	29	18
Lenoir	0	14	101	115	0	15	15	10	21	2	5	168	70
Wayne	0	53	126	179	4	17	21	24	50	23	28	325	125
District Totals	7	69	228	304	7	33	40	41	77	27	33	522	213

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 9													
Franklin	0	16	35	51	2	8	10	3	18	9	0	91	52
Granville	0	32	58	90	1	3	4	3	5	1	1	104	51
Person	0	8	13	21	1	3	4	1	7	2	0	35	32
Vance	0	52	49	101	6	6	12	2	3	0	0	118	47
Warren	0	6	2	8	1	0	1	4	4	3	0	20	13
District Totals	0	114	157	271	11	20	31	13	37	15	1	368	195
District 10													
Wake	0	321	475	796	31	18	49	32	35	20	30	962	405
District 11													
Harnett	0	40	76	116	0	2	2	9	9	9	6	151	52
Johnston	0	37	53	90	0	3	3	5	7	2	7	114	72
Lee	0	39	52	91	0	0	0	3	11	9	1	115	62
District Totals	0	116	181	297	0	5	5	17	27	20	14	380	186
District 12													
Cumberland	0	424	684	1,108	3	294	297	141	202	70	10	1,828	577
Hoke	0	12	59	71	0	8	8	4	11	2	3	99	55
District Totals	0	436	743	1,179	3	302	305	145	213	72	13	1,927	632
District 13													
Bladen	0	7	35	42	8	1	9	2	9	4	0	66	32
Brunswick	0	18	36	54	2	10	12	0	6	3	0	75	46
Columbus	0	56	71	127	5	2	7	29	17	0	0	180	76
District Totals	0	81	142	223	15	13	28	31	32	7	0	321	154
District 14													
Durham	1	202	217	420	5	38	43	77	70	35	19	664	214
District 15A													
Alamance	0	84	132	216	11	29	40	15	16	3	10	300	139
District 15B													
Chatham	0	5	56	61	1	1	2	5	11	5	14	98	61
Orange	0	51	110	161	3	8	11	24	25	3	3	227	197
District Totals	0	56	166	222	4	9	13	29	36	8	17	325	258
District 16													
Robeson	0	164	283	447	8	34	42	32	40	31	15	607	263
Scotland	0	67	107	174	1	3	4	3	15	10	4	210	123
District Totals	0	231	390	621	9	37	46	35	55	41	19	817	3[illegible]6
District 17A													
Caswell	0	2	5	7	2	5	7	3	4	0	0	21	16
Rockirgham	0	70	91	161	4	24	28	12	16	12	4	233	88
District Totals	0	72	96	168	6	29	35	15	20	12	4	254	104
District 17B													
Stokes	0	27	13	40	6	10	16	2	2	3	1	64	27
Surry	0	30	57	87	12	14	26	4	26	9	2	154	70
District Totals	0	57	70	127	18	24	42	6	28	12	3	218	97

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 18													
Guilford	2	290	619	911	74	111	185	65	55	27	69	1,312	539
District 19A													
Cabarrus	0	71	102	173	2	10	12	4	23	7	10	229	81
Rowan	0	65	227	292	48	73	121	131	106	37	10	697	141
District Totals	0	136	329	465	50	83	133	135	129	44	20	926	222
District 19B													
Montgomery	0	2	23	25	1	3	4	4	16	12	0	61	43
Randolph	0	135	221	356	10	52	62	31	44	29	10	532	195
District Totals	0	137	244	381	11	55	66	35	60	41	10	593	238
District 20													
Anson	0	0	21	21	0	0	0	5	6	0	0	32	27
Moore	0	45	66	111	0	4	4	5	60	3	10	193	52
Richmond	0	81	100	181	0	0	0	2	9	3	3	198	61
Stanly	2	32	33	67	2	6	8	7	3	8	1	94	46
Union	0	80	165	245	4	24	28	25	51	21	8	378	173
District Totals	2	238	385	625	6	34	40	44	129	35	22	895	359
District 21													
Forsyth	0	180	321	501	34	194	228	2	66	7	16	820	433
District 22													
Alexander	0	1	24	25	0	7	7	2	5	6	3	48	40
Davidson	1	60	134	195	1	61	62	21	23	8	17	326	153
Davie	0	13	17	30	14	15	29	2	9	5	1	76	46
Iredell	1	5	124	130	11	39	50	2	37	10	12	241	135
District Totals	2	79	299	380	26	122	148	27	74	29	33	691	374
District 23													
Alleghany	0	0	16	16	1	2	3	0	3	0	0	22	13
Ashe	0	13	43	56	8	3	11	2	28	5	5	107	35
Wilkes	0	26	125	151	28	60	88	49	104	58	13	463	104
Yadkin	0	40	133	173	8	43	51	20	25	1	6	276	77
District Totals	0	79	317	396	45	108	153	71	160	64	24	868	229
District 24													
Avery	0	3	30	33	1	16	17	4	4	3	1	62	42
Madison	0	2	2	4	0	3	3	2	6	4	0	19	15
Mitchell	0	2	1	3	1	1	2	6	8	0	0	19	21
Watauga	1	17	16	34	1	15	16	11	20	5	7	93	64
Yancey	0	5	5	10	5	2	7	4	7	4	0	32	16
District Totals	1	29	54	84	8	37	45	27	45	16	8	225	158
District 25													
Burke	0	33	60	93	11	51	62	8	23	6	7	199	112
Caldwell	0	42	75	117	59	79	138	58	40	20	10	383	126
Catawba	0	88	86	174	17	32	49	27	23	3	3	279	134
District Totals	0	163	221	384	87	162	249	93	86	29	20	861	372
District 26													
Mecklenburg	0	502	812	1,314	13	193	206	13	113	60	46	1,752	684

MATTERS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 27A													
Gaston	0	172	467	639	0	59	59	8	18	4	10	738	315
District 27B													
Cleveland	0	67	137	204	3	8	11	9	17	7	2	250	116
Lincoln	0	39	43	82	6	20	26	11	16	4	0	139	58
District Totals	0	106	180	286	9	28	37	20	33	11	2	389	174
District 28													
Buncombe	1	63	181	245	25	228	253	48	51	15	8	620	144
District 29													
Henderson	0	5	42	47	27	7	34	3	11	6	11	112	67
McDowell	0	20	23	43	30	26	56	5	15	10	10	139	64
Polk	0	6	7	13	5	4	9	0	1	0	0	23	18
Rutherford	0	38	72	110	34	31	65	32	47	17	3	274	61
Transylvania	0	0	4	4	19	0	19	7	0	2	4	36	28
District Totals	0	69	148	217	115	68	183	47	74	35	28	584	238
District 30													
Cherokee	0	2	24	26	3	1	4	2	16	4	4	56	46
Clay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	2
Graham	0	0	17	17	2	1	3	3	5	1	0	29	29
Haywood	0	16	10	26	3	33	36	10	16	10	0	98	57
Jackson	0	9	10	19	4	9	13	7	9	5	1	54	44
Macon	0	2	6	8	2	3	5	3	2	2	5	25	29
Swain	0	0	5	5	0	6	6	1	3	0	0	15	15
District Totals	0	29	72	101	14	53	67	26	53	24	10	281	222
State Totals	16	4,945	9,627	14,588	673	2,259	2,932	1,255	2,106	855	588	22,324	9,386

ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS FOR JUVENILE MATTERS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
District 1													
Camden	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	7
Chowan	42	8	0	0	4	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	59
Currituck	21	7	0	1	0	0	5	0	3	1	2	0	40
Dare	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	24
Gates	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Pasquotank	58	24	0	0	1	0	7	0	15	0	4	0	109
Perquimans	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
District Totals	150	44	0	1	8	1	20	1	20	2	6	0	253
District 2													
Beaufort	107	25	9	5	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	153
Hyde	4	1	0	0	4	1	7	2	0	0	2	0	21
Martin	45	17	2	1	2	0	16	7	0	2	0	1	93
Tyrrell	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington	16	4	0	0	4	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	32
District Totals	173	47	11	6	15	2	31	9	1	2	2	1	300
District 3													
Carteret	73	45	6	6	24	8	23	6	4	2	0	0	197
Craven	239	118	5	3	13	3	10	8	2	1	30	1	433
Pamlico	19	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	31
Pitt	175	43	4	3	30	4	29	0	5	0	1	0	294
District Totals	506	216	15	12	67	15	63	14	12	3	31	1	955
District 4													
Duplin	103	11	6	3	0	0	15	0	1	0	3	0	142
Jones	10	2	2	0	6	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	28
Onslow	96	12	8	1	42	1	117	7	85	4	2	0	375
Sampson	20	1	0	0	4	0	12	0	8	0	3	0	48
District Totals	229	26	16	4	52	2	147	7	97	5	8	0	593
District 5													
New Hanover	515	33	75	1	12	1	25	0	2	0	7	0	671
Pender	41	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	54
District Totals	556	36	84	1	12	1	25	0	3	0	7	0	725
District 6													
Bertie	12	10	0	0	9	0	12	13	8	1	0	0	65
Halifax	86	52	1	11	3	1	33	0	4	0	0	0	191
Hertford	37	44	3	4	0	7	11	8	2	2	2	3	123
Northampton	18	11	0	2	3	2	0	11	1	2	0	0	50
District Totals	153	117	4	17	15	10	56	32	15	5	2	3	429

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
District 7													
Edgecombe	159	55	12	1	5	0	29	0	21	0	5	1	288
Nash	142	26	1	4	7	9	14	1	6	3	3	7	223
Wilson	133	52	2	2	2	1	24	1	7	0	3	5	232
District Totals	434	133	15	7	14	10	67	2	34	3	11	13	743
District 8													
Greene	7	0	5	0	6	0	5	0	1	0	5	0	29
Lenoir	87	45	16	8	13	4	17	8	0	0	6	1	205
Wayne	106	54	16	4	32	2	34	3	12	4	15	1	283
District Totals	200	99	37	12	51	6	56	11	13	4	26	2	517
District 9													
Franklin	19	2	4	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	33
Granville	60	20	3	1	2	1	4	1	0	1	0	0	93
Person	19	13	3	6	18	3	10	3	6	2	0	0	83
Vance	44	49	0	6	5	4	0	2	0	1	0	0	111
Warren	17	0	1	1	11	3	17	2	7	0	0	3	62
District Totals	159	84	11	18	36	11	34	8	13	4	1	3	382
District 10													
Wake	486	49	13	2	12	0	14	1	9	0	16	0	602
District 11													
Harnett	241	45	19	2	37	3	94	6	39	2	6	0	494
Johnston	68	7	1	3	9	0	10	0	1	1	2	2	104
Lee	144	59	7	4	44	8	45	21	16	7	1	4	360
District Totals	453	111	27	9	90	11	149	27	56	10	9	6	958
District 12													
Cumberland	580	418	126	160	94	34	130	61	24	36	9	2	1674
Hoke	61	24	0	2	2	6	5	0	0	1	0	2	103
District Totals	641	442	126	162	96	40	135	61	24	37	9	4	1,777
District 13													
Bladen	23	55	9	5	0	4	3	2	4	4	0	0	109
Brunswick	55	15	4	6	0	0	3	2	3	0	0	0	88
Columbus	182	9	20	8	101	3	198	7	10	0	0	0	538
District Totals	260	79	33	19	101	7	204	11	17	4	0	0	735

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 14													
Durham	91	27	7	14	23	0	28	2	10	1	0	0	203
District 15A													
Alamance	203	20	39	8	21	1	26	2	5	2	7	0	334
District 15B													
Chatham	48	26	2	1	2	1	11	7	0	1	0	1	100
Orange	315	84	9	2	21	0	72	3	5	0	1	0	512
District Totals	363	110	11	3	23	1	83	10	5	1	1	1	612
District 16													
Robeson	377	47	20	4	32	2	27	8	16	3	10	0	546
Scotland	140	43	4	1	4	1	25	5	12	1	4	2	242
District Totals	517	90	24	5	36	3	52	13	28	4	14	2	788
District 17A													
Caswell	4	0	1	5	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	14
Rockingham	124	22	15	3	10	0	10	1	4	0	7	0	196
District Totals	128	22	16	8	12	0	12	1	4	0	7	0	210
District 17B													
Stokes	31	7	11	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	0	61
Surry	92	20	20	2	1	1	20	6	4	1	0	0	167
District Totals	123	27	31	4	3	2	21	7	5	3	2	0	228
District 18													
Guilford	537	282	126	57	49	13	28	18	9	6	50	0	1175
District 19A													
Cabarrus	173	12	9	0	4	0	18	6	10	2	4	3	241
Rowan	330	46	131	20	109	8	136	12	38	2	5	5	842
District Totals	503	58	140	20	113	8	154	18	48	4	9	8	1,083
District 19B													
Montgomery	80	14	5	1	13	1	26	1	34	1	0	0	176
Randolph	760	84	59	12	52	11	99	4	75	16	11	1	1184
District Totals	840	98	64	13	65	12	125	5	109	17	11	1	1,360

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 20													
Anson	3	19	0	0	4	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	33
Moore	90	21	3	1	4	1	49	11	3	0	10	0	193
Richmond	141	179	2	1	3	3	26	24	9	9	4	0	401
Stanly	59	12	4	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	80
Union	216	47	25	4	23	2	33	16	19	4	6	0	395
District Totals	509	278	34	6	35	7	115	51	32	13	22	0	1,102
District 21													
Forsyth	426	75	50	178	2	0	63	3	7	0	11	5	820
District 22													
Alexander	12	5	4	2	0	0	3	1	2	1	0	2	32
Davidson	76	29	25	15	11	1	10	3	6	8	14	2	200
Davie	29	3	17	7	2	2	7	11	9	1	2	0	90
Iredell	113	32	28	7	9	0	31	4	5	3	7	0	239
District Totals	230	69	74	31	22	3	51	19	22	13	23	4	561
District 23													
Alleghany	15	5	2	1	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	28
Ashe	41	13	6	3	3	0	39	6	4	0	0	0	115
Wilkes	125	5	86	3	51	1	110	1	49	2	0	14	447
Yadkin	155	30	41	7	15	6	23	6	1	1	5	0	290
District Totals	336	53	135	14	69	7	176	13	55	3	5	14	880
District 24													
Avery	48	13	35	13	18	2	22	11	4	4	0	1	171
Madison	16	2	8	3	24	5	39	13	10	5	0	0	125
Mitchell	12	1	0	1	6	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	30
Watauga	50	18	19	3	23	2	39	5	15	0	0	5	179
Yancey	0	1	1	2	3	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	15
District Totals	126	35	63	22	74	11	110	32	32	9	0	6	520
District 25													
Burke	166	42	115	41	84	8	288	10	125	3	24	4	910
Caldwell	150	18	144	38	105	7	98	12	48	8	2	13	643
Catawba	132	69	49	8	17	4	8	8	3	1	4	0	303
District Totals	448	129	308	87	206	19	394	30	176	12	30	17	1,856
District 26													
Mecklenburg	834	499	110	40	16	0	113	20	34	4	19	0	1689

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
District 27A													
Gaston	334	210	26	10	7	1	18	0	4	0	0	0	610
District 27B													
Cleveland	128	61	6	4	20	1	9	2	5	2	2	0	240
Lincoln	72	11	18	6	11	0	16	0	4	0	0	3	141
District Totals	200	72	24	10	31	1	25	2	9	2	2	3	381
District 28													
Buncombe	220	72	142	87	334	35	303	23	110	6	17	2	1351
District 29													
Henderson	41	7	33	7	1	2	8	0	1	1	11	0	112
McDowell	41	4	51	1	3	1	13	3	9	1	9	2	138
Polk	8	1	2	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	18
Rutherford	65	14	32	1	34	2	37	3	12	1	2	0	203
Transylvania	3	5	9	6	0	5	0	0	1	1	1	4	35
District Totals	158	31	127	18	41	10	59	6	23	4	23	6	506
District 30													
Cherokee	22	4	4	0	2	0	16	0	4	0	4	0	56
Clay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Graham	8	9	2	1	3	0	3	2	8	2	0	0	38
Haywood	17	6	7	16	4	0	9	0	7	1	0	0	67
Jackson	14	1	4	5	5	0	6	0	5	0	1	0	41
Macon	1	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	9
Swain	5	0	4	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	15
District Totals	67	20	21	26	18	0	38	2	26	3	5	0	226
State Totals	11,593	3,760	1,964	931	1,769	250	2,995	461	1,067	186	386	102	25,464

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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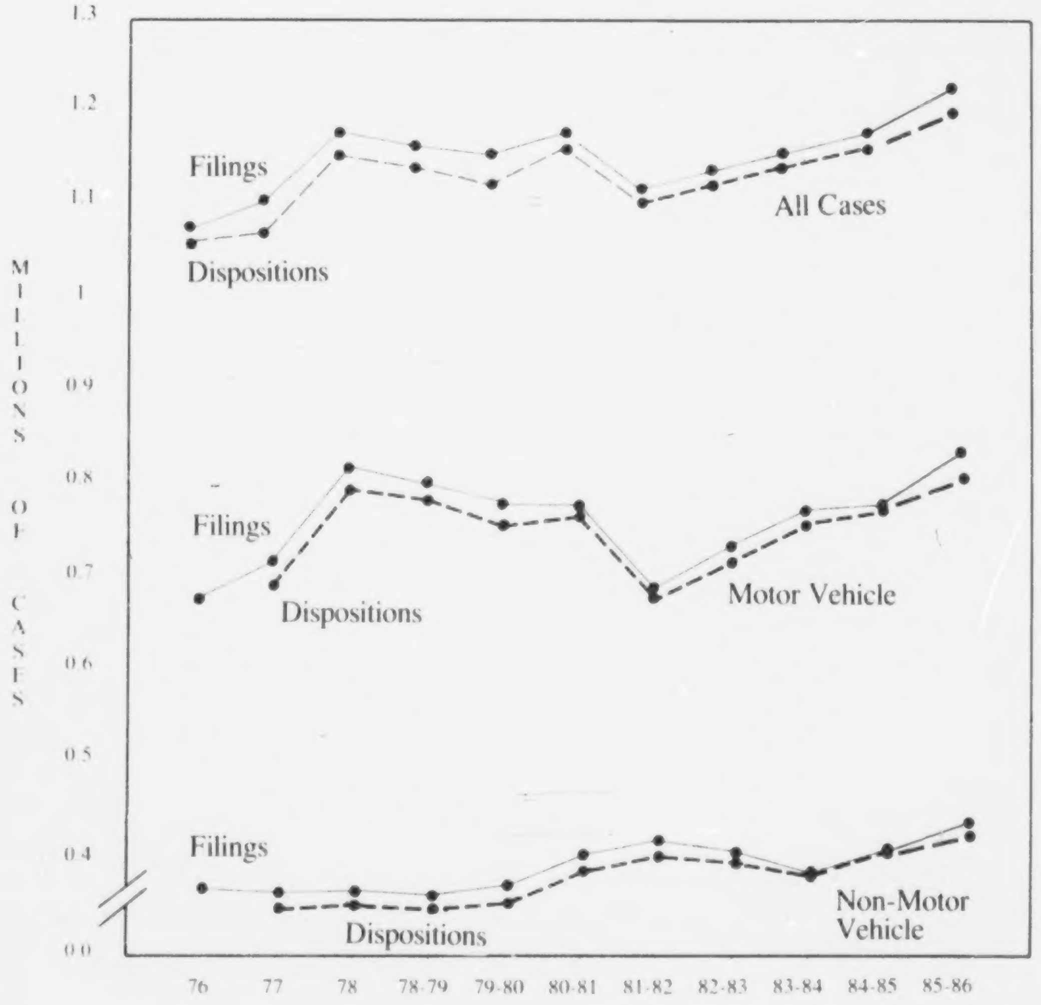

The 8.7% increase in motor vehicle case filings and the 8.1% increase in non-motor vehicle case filings last year were accelerations of recent trends. Non-motor vehicle dispositions increased 7.4%.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 1				
Camden	1,151	815	349	1,164
Chowan	1,755	1,285	338	1,623
Currituck	1,963	1,242	648	1,890
Dare	6,843	4,678	1,548	6,226
Gates	1,563	1,014	572	1,586
Pasquotank	2,248	1,388	829	2,217
Perquimans	1,443	1,071	351	1,422
District Totals	16,966	11,493	4,635	16,128
District 2				
Beaufort	6,166	3,276	2,622	5,898
Hyde	787	379	379	758
Martin	4,460	2,701	1,544	4,245
Tyrrell	735	512	212	724
Washington	1,603	1,105	494	1,599
District Totals	13,751	7,973	5,251	13,224
District 3				
Carteret	7,482	4,974	2,777	7,751
Craven	12,820	7,006	5,420	12,426
Pamlico	894	472	370	842
Pitt	16,518	8,210	8,050	16,260
District Totals	37,714	20,662	16,617	37,279
District 4				
Duplin	4,060	2,572	1,880	4,452
Jones	1,675	935	652	1,587
Onslow	14,210	6,769	7,020	13,789
Sampson	7,494	4,249	2,873	7,122
District Totals	27,439	14,525	12,425	26,950
District 5				
New Hanover	18,085	8,842	8,542	17,384
Pender	3,409	1,590	1,449	3,039
District Totals	21,494	10,432	9,991	20,423
District 6				
Bertie	2,634	1,741	889	2,630
Halifax	9,182	5,492	3,482	8,974
Hertford	2,948	1,770	1,017	2,787
Northampton	3,568	2,218	1,446	3,664
District Totals	18,332	11,221	6,834	18,055
District 7				
Edgecombe	5,179	3,285	1,588	4,873
Nash	10,023	6,225	2,872	9,097
Wilson	6,335	4,087	2,512	6,599
District Totals	21,537	13,597	6,972	20,569
District 8				
Greene	2,484	1,467	910	2,377
Lenoir	7,134	3,549	3,112	6,661
Wayne	9,324	4,780	4,478	9,258
District Totals	18,942	9,796	8,500	18,296

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 9				
Franklin	2,997	1,348	1,456	2,804
Granville	3,677	2,168	1,427	3,595
Person	3,963	1,949	1,888	3,837
Vance	3,787	2,090	1,619	3,709
Warren	1,644	884	769	1,653
District Totals	16,068	8,439	7,159	15,598
District 10				
Wake	54,572	23,448	29,531	52,979
District 11				
Harnett	6,997	3,234	3,344	6,578
Johnston	9,221	4,274	4,572	8,846
Lee	5,159	3,011	2,138	5,149
District Totals	21,377	10,519	10,054	20,573
District 12				
Cumberland	35,448	17,836	15,491	33,327
Hoke	3,497	2,127	1,265	3,392
District Totals	38,945	19,963	16,756	36,719
District 13				
Bladen	6,118	3,000	2,825	5,825
Brunswick	5,030	2,781	2,132	4,913
Columbus	6,676	3,165	3,091	6,256
District Totals	17,824	8,946	8,048	16,994
District 14				
Durham	29,999	16,047	10,332	26,379
District 15A				
Alamance	12,706	6,797	5,382	12,179
District 15B				
Chatham	7,158	3,916	2,963	6,879
Orange	10,801	5,792	5,337	11,129
District Totals	17,959	9,708	8,300	18,008
District 16				
Robeson	15,742	7,855	6,100	13,955
Scotland	3,902	2,385	1,453	3,838
District Totals	19,644	10,240	7,553	17,793
District 17A				
Caswell	1,902	932	716	1,648
Rockingham	10,202	5,668	3,957	9,625
District Totals	12,104	6,600	4,673	11,273
District 17B				
Stokes	3,173	1,864	1,378	3,242
Surry	7,565	4,588	2,565	7,153
District Totals	10,738	6,452	3,943	10,395

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 18				
Guilford	64,583	31,633	30,215	61,848
District 19A				
Cabarrus	13,085	7,508	5,215	12,723
Rowan	12,629	7,122	4,921	12,043
District Totals	25,714	14,630	10,136	24,766
District 19B				
Montgomery	3,189	2,040	1,102	3,142
Randolph	9,668	5,933	3,821	9,754
District Totals	12,857	7,973	4,923	12,896
District 20				
Anson	3,026	1,780	1,216	2,996
Moore	7,153	3,610	3,330	6,940
Richmond	4,836	2,851	1,760	4,611
Stanly	3,851	2,296	1,411	3,707
Union	7,709	4,654	2,937	7,591
District Totals	26,575	15,191	10,654	25,845
District 21				
Forsyth	39,381	18,399	20,456	38,855
District 22				
Alexander	1,915	823	878	1,701
Davidson	12,938	6,653	5,484	12,137
Davie	2,534	1,616	1,082	2,698
Iredell	11,574	6,403	3,777	10,180
District Totals	28,961	15,495	11,221	26,716
District 23				
Alleghany	1,097	622	387	1,009
Ashe	2,132	1,246	686	1,932
Wilkes	5,702	3,502	2,515	6,017
Yadkin	3,197	1,954	1,193	3,147
District Totals	12,128	7,324	4,781	12,105
District 24				
Avery	1,997	1,159	646	1,805
Madison	2,188	1,537	715	2,252
Mitchell	953	594	400	994
Watauga	4,260	2,916	1,191	4,107
Yancey	1,821	1,241	544	1,785
District Totals	11,219	7,447	3,496	10,943
District 25				
Burke	9,354	5,780	3,468	9,248
Caldwell	6,607	3,715	3,352	7,067
Catawba	15,409	8,089	6,978	15,067
District Totals	31,370	17,584	13,798	31,382
District 26				
Mecklenburg	66,783	35,951	32,094	68,045

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 26				
Mecklenburg	66,783	35,951	32,094	68,045
District 27A				
Gaston	20,188	9,655	10,045	19,700
District 27B				
Cleveland	9,373	5,303	3,639	8,942
Lincoln	5,670	2,802	2,902	5,704
District Totals	15,043	8,105	6,541	14,646
District 28				
Buncombe	17,529	11,192	6,184	17,376
District 29				
Henderson	6,331	4,443	2,145	6,588
McDowell	4,933	3,563	1,536	5,099
Polk	2,036	1,236	611	1,847
Rutherford	5,844	4,200	1,710	5,910
Transylvania	2,505	1,612	555	2,167
District Totals	21,649	15,054	6,557	21,611
District 30				
Cherokee	2,983	1,965	650	2,615
Clay	637	305	191	496
Graham	517	368	252	620
Haywood	6,144	4,177	1,401	5,578
Jackson	2,506	1,574	801	2,375
Macon	2,342	2,414	1,014	3,428
Swain	1,948	1,399	573	1,972
District Totals	17,077	12,202	4,882	17,084
State Totals	839,168	454,693	358,939	813,632

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 1						
Camden	10	144	154	127	82.5%	27
Chowan	46	448	494	460	93.1%	34
Currituck	76	502	578	513	88.8%	65
Dare	245	2,035	2,280	1,900	83.3%	380
Gates	19	290	309	301	97.4%	8
Pasquotank	131	2,055	2,186	2,033	93.0%	153
Perquimans	26	343	369	328	88.9%	41
District Totals	553	5,817	6,370	5,662	88.9%	708
District 2						
Beaufort	167	3,150	3,317	2,966	89.4%	351
Hyde	38	442	480	470	97.9%	10
Martin	181	1,249	1,430	1,192	83.4%	238
Tyrrell	12	220	232	224	96.6%	8
Washington	34	637	671	634	94.5%	37
District Totals	432	5,698	6,130	5,486	89.5%	644
District 3						
Carteret	753	4,912	5,665	4,825	85.2%	840
Craven	778	6,555	7,333	6,385	87.1%	948
Pamlico	63	723	786	725	92.2%	61
Pitt	1,604	10,787	12,391	10,934	88.2%	1,457
District Totals	3,198	22,977	26,175	22,869	87.4%	3,306
District 4						
Duplin	184	2,190	2,374	2,161	91.0%	213
Jones	51	550	601	554	92.2%	47
Onslow	889	11,171	12,060	10,909	90.5%	1,151
Sampson	432	2,810	3,242	2,948	90.9%	294
District Totals	1,556	16,721	18,277	16,572	90.7%	1,705
District 5						
New Hanover	1,328	12,635	13,963	11,850	84.9%	2,113
Pender	150	1,240	1,390	1,143	82.2%	247
District Totals	1,478	13,875	15,353	12,993	84.6%	2,360
District 6						
Bertie	39	1,063	1,102	1,035	93.9%	67
Halifax	403	4,346	4,749	4,144	87.3%	605
Hertford	104	1,644	1,748	1,563	89.4%	185
Northampton	95	952	1,047	962	91.9%	85
District Totals	641	8,005	8,646	7,704	89.1%	942
District 7						
Edgecombe	630	5,156	5,786	4,836	83.6%	950
Nash	838	6,664	7,502	6,518	86.9%	984
Wilson	1,052	5,138	6,190	5,152	83.2%	1,038
District Totals	2,520	16,958	19,478	16,506	84.7%	2,972
District 8						
Greene	114	847	961	858	89.3%	103
Lenoir	578	4,675	5,253	4,561	86.8%	692
Wayne	1,103	6,105	7,208	6,290	87.3%	918
District Totals	1,795	11,627	13,422	11,709	87.2%	1,713

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 9						
Franklin	137	1,885	2,022	1,899	93.9%	123
Granville	211	2,119	2,330	2,099	90.1%	231
Person	173	1,808	1,981	1,776	89.7%	205
Vance	287	3,487	3,774	3,292	87.2%	482
Warren	55	807	862	778	90.3%	84
District Totals	863	10,106	10,969	9,844	89.7%	1,125
District 10						
Wake	5,876	28,094	33,970	28,140	82.8%	5,830
District 11						
Harnett	375	3,741	4,116	3,666	89.1%	450
Johnston	452	5,393	5,845	5,185	88.7%	660
Lee	284	3,946	4,230	3,863	91.3%	367
District Totals	1,111	13,080	14,191	12,714	89.6%	1,477
District 12						
Cumberland	3,716	21,721	25,437	20,783	81.7%	4,654
Hoke	164	1,928	2,092	1,792	85.7%	300
District Totals	3,880	23,649	27,529	22,575	82.0%	4,954
District 13						
Bladen	286	2,292	2,578	2,307	89.5%	271
Brunswick	393	2,875	3,268	2,826	86.5%	442
Columbus	302	3,792	4,094	3,678	89.8%	416
District Totals	981	8,959	9,940	8,811	88.6%	1,129
District 14						
Durham	2,882	14,529	17,411	13,433	77.2%	3,978
District 15A						
Alamance	557	6,604	7,161	6,424	89.7%	737
District 15B						
Chatham	298	1,954	2,252	1,961	87.1%	291
Orange	532	4,009	4,541	3,816	84.0%	725
District Totals	830	5,963	6,793	5,777	85.0%	1,016
District 16						
Robeson	738	10,168	10,906	9,899	90.8%	1,007
Scotland	305	3,624	3,929	3,585	91.2%	344
District Totals	1,043	13,792	14,835	13,484	90.9%	1,351
District 17A						
Caswell	54	822	876	813	92.8%	63
Rockingham	448	4,695	5,143	4,590	89.2%	553
District Totals	502	5,517	6,019	5,403	89.8%	616
District 17B						
Stokes	197	1,209	1,406	1,292	91.9%	114
Surry	341	3,143	3,484	3,005	86.3%	479
District Totals	538	4,352	4,890	4,297	87.9%	593

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 18						
Guilford	8,096	30,429	38,525	29,390	76.3%	9,135
District 19A						
Cabarrus	483	5,203	5,686	5,070	89.2%	616
Rowan	372	4,667	5,039	4,464	88.6%	575
District Totals	855	9,870	10,725	9,534	88.9%	1,191
District 19B						
Montgomery	338	2,269	2,607	2,205	84.6%	402
Randolph	611	5,083	5,694	4,878	85.7%	816
District Totals	949	7,352	8,301	7,083	85.3%	1,218
District 20						
Anson	185	1,730	1,915	1,716	89.6%	199
Moore	484	4,802	5,286	4,701	88.9%	585
Richmond	130	3,038	3,168	2,942	92.9%	226
Stanly	315	2,696	3,011	2,806	93.2%	205
Union	435	4,877	5,312	4,810	90.5%	502
District Totals	1,549	17,143	18,692	16,975	90.8%	1,717
District 21						
Forsyth	2,613	18,459	21,072	18,136	86.1%	2,936
District 22						
Alexander	177	1,208	1,385	1,213	87.6%	172
Davidson	1,118	7,313	8,431	7,179	85.2%	1,252
Davie	89	864	953	835	87.6%	118
Iredell	796	6,187	6,983	6,052	86.7%	931
District Totals	2,180	15,572	17,752	15,279	86.1%	2,473
District 23						
Alleghany	10	384	394	355	90.1%	39
Ashe	72	659	731	652	89.2%	79
Wilkes	336	3,145	3,481	3,085	88.6%	396
Yadkin	92	882	974	920	94.5%	54
District Totals	510	5,070	5,580	5,012	89.8%	568
District 24						
Avery	77	563	640	469	73.3%	171
Madison	82	543	625	490	78.4%	135
Mitchell	72	451	523	430	82.2%	93
Watauga	146	1,275	1,421	1,240	87.3%	181
Yancey	54	368	422	360	85.3%	62
District Totals	431	3,200	3,631	2,989	82.3%	642
District 25						
Burke	553	4,188	4,741	4,159	87.7%	582
Caldwell	594	3,762	4,356	3,699	84.9%	657
Catawba	913	6,508	7,421	6,427	86.6%	994
District Totals	2,060	14,458	16,518	14,285	86.5%	2,233
District 26						
Mecklenburg	7,267	38,143	45,410	34,989	77.1%	10,421

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	Begin Pending 7/1/85	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/86
District 27A						
Gaston	2,812	13,449	16,261	13,131	80.8%	3,130
District 27B						
Cleveland	429	4,996	5,425	4,835	89.1%	590
Lincoln	344	3,152	3,496	3,100	88.7%	396
District Totals	773	8,148	8,921	7,935	88.9%	986
District 28						
Buncombe	1,198	12,190	13,388	11,793	88.1%	1,595
District 29						
Henderson	614	3,543	4,157	3,552	85.4%	605
McDowell	173	1,443	1,616	1,411	87.3%	205
Polk	77	515	592	515	87.0%	77
Rutherford	615	3,236	3,851	3,074	79.8%	777
Transylvania	153	1,458	1,611	1,247	77.4%	364
District Totals	1,632	10,195	11,827	9,799	82.9%	2,028
District 30						
Cherokee	144	1,058	1,202	724	60.2%	478
Clay	33	254	287	248	86.4%	39
Graham	95	378	473	433	91.5%	40
Haywood	224	2,415	2,639	2,251	85.3%	388
Jackson	90	639	729	624	85.6%	105
Macon	164	608	772	637	82.5%	135
Swain	121	486	607	556	91.6%	51
District Totals	871	5,838	6,709	5,473	81.6%	1,236
State Totals	65,032	445,839	510,871	432,206	84.6%	78,665

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES
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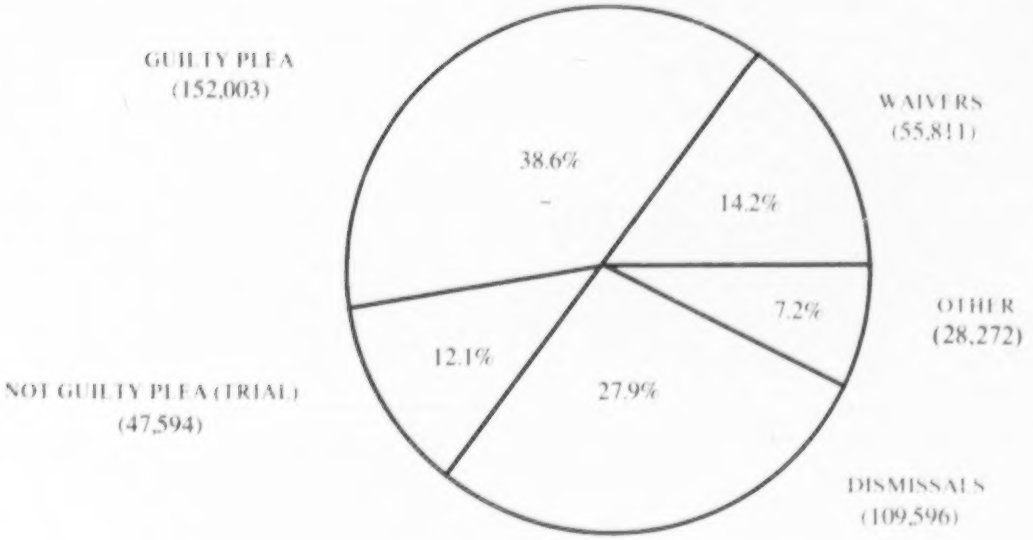
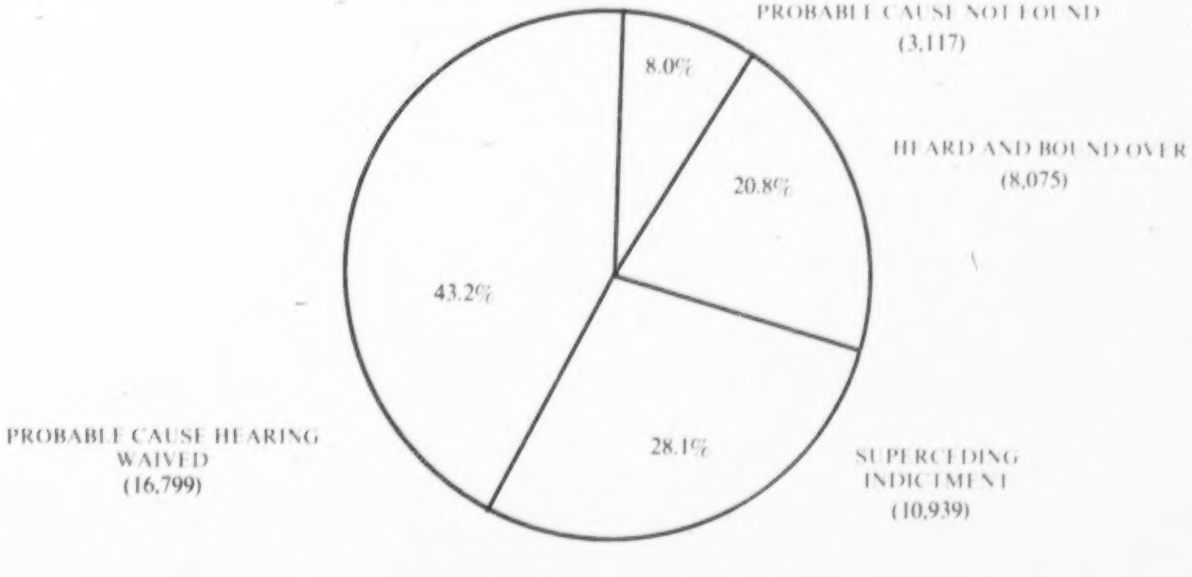


FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE MATTERS



Guilty pleas predominate in the disposition of criminal non-motor vehicle cases in the district courts. The waivers referred to in the upper chart are waivers of trial in worthless check cases when the defendant pleads guilty to a magistrate.

Included in the "other" category for the dispositions of misdemeanors are changes of venue, waivers of extradition, no probable cause at initial appearance, and dismissals by the court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 1								
Camden	0	23	24	18	12	41	9	127
Chowan	20	251	22	76	65	7	19	460
Currituck	21	157	115	61	101	30	28	513
Dare	150	676	330	178	373	95	98	1,900
Gates	16	110	10	48	37	51	29	301
Pasquotank	163	768	27	316	451	95	213	2,033
Perquimans	8	135	6	59	64	34	22	328
District Totals	378	2,120	534	756	1,103	353	418	5,662
% of Total	6.7%	37.4%	9.4%	13.4%	19.5%	6.2%	7.4%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	211	1,064	611	360	295	152	273	2,966
Hyde	8	109	121	95	50	48	39	470
Martin	266	381	43	153	74	177	98	1,192
Tyrrell	8	66	31	52	10	20	37	224
Washington	119	188	26	155	59	44	43	634
District Totals	612	1,808	832	815	488	441	490	5,486
% of Total	11.2%	33.0%	15.2%	14.9%	8.9%	8.0%	8.9%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	679	1,313	700	168	1,597	84	284	4,825
Craven	1,641	2,332	118	482	1,406	230	376	6,385
Pamlico	48	252	121	92	170	10	32	725
Pitt	3,055	3,392	291	672	2,526	225	773	10,934
District Totals	5,223	7,289	1,230	1,414	5,699	549	1,465	22,869
% of Total	22.8%	31.9%	5.4%	6.2%	24.9%	2.4%	6.4%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	493	641	6	140	325	111	445	2,161
Jones	30	145	4	158	83	68	66	554
Onslow	2,547	4,863	111	463	1,214	877	834	10,909
Sampson	773	1,156	13	92	492	303	119	2,948
District Totals	3,843	6,805	134	853	2,114	1,359	1,464	16,572
% of Total	23.2%	41.1%	0.8%	5.1%	12.8%	8.2%	8.8%	100.0%
District 5								
New Hanover	1,215	4,759	2	1,257	2,442	865	1,310	11,850
Pender	31	428	75	123	308	114	64	1,143
District Totals	1,246	5,187	77	1,380	2,750	979	1,374	12,993
% of Total	9.6%	39.9%	0.6%	10.6%	21.2%	7.5%	10.6%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	66	356	25	140	136	221	91	1,035
Halifax	280	1,361	226	780	879	305	313	4,144
Hertford	181	638	5	135	174	363	67	1,563
Northampton	93	288	27	142	141	161	110	962
District Totals	620	2,643	283	1,197	1,330	1,050	581	7,704
% of Total	8.0%	34.3%	3.7%	15.5%	17.3%	13.6%	7.5%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	840	902	202	1,352	972	298	270	4,836
Nash	1,730	2,252	143	607	1,068	285	433	6,518
Wilson	919	1,953	170	434	1,086	254	336	5,152
District Totals	3,489	5,107	515	2,393	3,126	837	1,039	16,506
% of Total	21.1%	30.9%	3.1%	14.5%	18.9%	5.1%	6.3%	100.0%
District 8								
Greene	116	226	6	70	292	86	62	858
Lenoir	152	1,458	515	420	1,339	391	286	4,561
Wayne	1,186	1,644	92	400	2,186	373	409	6,290
District Totals	1,454	3,328	613	890	3,817	850	757	11,709
% of Total	12.4%	28.4%	5.2%	7.6%	32.6%	7.3%	6.5%	100.0%

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 9								
Franklin	398	59	16	783	306	120	217	1,899
Granville	274	861	23	300	308	155	178	2,099
Person	150	657	157	332	309	95	76	1,776
Vance	512	1,058	50	527	626	196	323	3,292
Warren	79	204	56	149	179	45	66	778
District Totals	1,413	2,839	302	2,091	1,728	611	860	9,844
% of Total	14.4%	28.8%	3.1%	21.2%	17.6%	6.2%	8.7%	100.0%
District 10								
Wake	5,797	6,145	2,919	1,642	7,200	901	3,536	28,140
% of Total	20.6%	21.8%	10.4%	5.8%	25.6%	3.2%	12.6%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	891	380	28	996	761	419	191	3,666
Johnston	1,295	1,742	8	515	870	501	254	5,185
Lee	898	916	14	881	626	205	323	3,863
District Totals	3,084	3,038	50	2,392	2,257	1,125	768	12,714
% of Total	24.3%	23.9%	0.4%	18.8%	17.8%	8.8%	6.0%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	5,689	6,113	140	1,894	5,461	473	1,013	20,783
Hoke	338	15	0	921	328	59	131	1,792
District Totals	6,027	6,128	140	2,815	5,789	532	1,144	22,575
% of Total	26.7%	27.1%	0.6%	12.5%	25.6%	2.4%	5.1%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	238	483	83	524	637	151	191	2,307
Brunswick	203	959	247	351	804	82	180	2,826
Columbus	756	1,366	13	351	848	222	122	3,678
District Totals	1,197	2,808	343	1,226	2,289	455	493	8,811
% of Total	13.6%	31.9%	3.9%	13.9%	26.0%	5.2%	5.6%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	959	5,250	0	1,093	4,101	991	1,039	13,433
% of Total	7.1%	39.1%	0.0%	8.1%	30.5%	7.4%	7.7%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	484	986	277	2,418	834	578	847	6,424
% of Total	7.5%	15.3%	4.3%	37.6%	13.0%	9.0%	13.2%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	231	424	660	90	437	28	91	1,961
Orange	371	1,070	308	228	1,372	171	296	3,816
District Totals	602	1,494	968	318	1,809	199	387	5,777
% of Total	10.4%	25.9%	16.8%	5.5%	31.3%	3.4%	6.7%	100.0%
District 16								
Robeson	1,417	4,321	0	1,169	515	1161	1,316	9,899
Scotland	479	1,305	87	654	265	466	329	3,585
District Totals	1,896	5,626	87	1,823	780	1,627	1,645	13,484
% of Total	14.1%	41.7%	0.6%	13.5%	5.8%	12.1%	12.2%	100.0%
District 17A								
Caswell	42	201	87	209	97	97	80	813
Rockingham	324	1,651	158	960	527	376	594	4,590
District Totals	366	1,852	245	1,169	624	473	674	5,403
% of Total	6.8%	34.3%	4.5%	21.6%	11.5%	8.8%	12.5%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	72	302	29	143	288	175	283	1,292
Surry	192	940	261	406	625	175	406	3,005
District Totals	264	1,242	290	549	913	350	689	4,297
% of Total	6.1%	28.9%	6.7%	12.8%	21.2%	8.1%	16.0%	100.0%

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 18								
Guilford	1,770	9,206	1,267	2,268	10,847	1251	2,781	29,390
% of Total	6.0%	31.3%	4.3%	7.7%	36.9%	4.3%	9.5%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	652	1,480	169	1,024	920	120	705	5,070
Rowan	338	850	175	1,052	696	656	697	4,464
District Totals	990	2,330	344	2,076	1,616	776	1,402	9,534
% of Total	10.4%	24.4%	3.6%	21.8%	16.9%	8.1%	14.7%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	159	393	26	320	496	661	150	2,205
Randolph	905	1,473	45	597	1,155	124	579	4,878
District Totals	1,064	1,866	71	917	1,651	785	729	7,083
% of Total	15.0%	26.3%	1.0%	12.9%	23.3%	11.1%	10.3%	100.0%
District 20								
Anson	117	4	136	735	438	110	176	1,716
Moore	1,042	907	120	446	860	791	535	4,701
Richmond	205	845	37	477	648	300	430	2,942
Stanly	434	711	311	369	437	249	295	2,806
Union	815	1,319	108	660	953	458	497	4,810
District Totals	2,613	3,786	712	2,687	3,336	1,908	1,933	16,975
% of Total	15.4%	22.3%	4.2%	15.8%	19.7%	11.2%	11.4%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	1,789	6,528	0	2,511	4,988	457	1,863	18,136
% of Total	9.9%	36.0%	0.0%	13.8%	27.5%	2.5%	10.3%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	100	296	26	173	337	232	49	1,213
Davidson	323	1,770	202	1,072	3,003	521	288	7,179
Davie	56	200	6	127	278	138	30	835
Iredell	548	2,093	373	595	1,912	294	237	6,052
District Totals	1,027	4,359	607	1,967	5,530	1,185	604	15,279
% of Total	6.7%	28.5%	4.0%	12.9%	36.2%	7.8%	4.0%	100.0%
District 23								
Alleghany	24	13	17	160	92	22	27	355
Ashe	89	147	0	110	4	214	88	652
Wilkes	521	861	16	584	527	339	237	3,085
Yadkin	57	294	1	217	99	115	137	920
District Totals	691	1,315	34	1,071	722	690	489	5,012
% of Total	13.8%	26.2%	0.7%	21.4%	14.4%	13.8%	9.8%	100.0%
District 24								
Avery	42	54	5	94	135	91	48	469
Madison	13	20	13	144	193	14	93	490
Mitchell	36	55	13	45	157	97	27	430
Watauga	225	282	17	63	343	77	233	1,240
Yancey	8	19	50	114	129	20	20	360
District Totals	324	430	98	460	957	299	421	2,989
% of Total	10.8%	14.4%	3.3%	15.4%	32.0%	10.0%	14.1%	100.0%
District 25								
Burke	470	1,138	0	225	1,450	500	376	4,159
Caldwell	284	990	349	352	937	264	523	3,699
Catawba	566	2,194	104	525	1,747	444	847	6,427
District Totals	1,320	4,322	453	1,102	4,134	1,208	1,746	14,285
% of Total	9.2%	30.3%	3.2%	7.7%	28.9%	8.5%	12.2%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	1,264	12,548	1,500	1,786	13,154	1620	3,117	34,989
% of Total	3.6%	35.9%	4.3%	5.1%	37.6%	4.6%	8.9%	100.0%

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 27A								
Gaston	546	3,582	2	1,154	4,962	1709	1,176	13,131
% of Total	4.2%	27.3%	.0%	8.8%	37.8%	13.0%	9.0%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	331	1,437	193	310	1,744	508	312	4,835
Lincoln	393	908	134	233	929	283	220	3,100
District Totals	724	2,345	327	543	2,673	791	532	7,935
% of Total	9.1%	29.6%	4.1%	6.8%	33.7%	10.0%	6.7%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	2,123	5,793	15	584	2,338	159	781	11,793
% of Total	18.0%	49.1%	0.1%	5.0%	19.8%	1.3%	6.6%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	203	1,587	267	158	946	69	322	3,552
McDowell	68	497	171	140	252	44	239	1,411
Polk	8	205	17	32	163	45	45	515
Rutherford	34	1,041	252	510	439	514	284	3,074
Transylvania	95	588	107	49	291	38	79	1,247
District Total	408	3,918	814	889	2,091	710	969	9,799
% of Total	4.2%	40.0%	8.3%	9.1%	21.3%	7.2%	9.9%	100.0%
District 30								
Cherokee	90	196	3	4	253	138	40	724
Clay	5	14	113	29	53	8	26	248
Graham	8	68	66	50	201	9	31	433
Haywood	38	745	99	149	802	59	359	2,251
Jackson	25	168	71	35	157	69	99	624
Macon	21	130	29	50	175	153	79	637
Swain	17	149	46	28	205	28	83	556
District Totals	204	1,470	427	345	1,846	464	717	5,473
% of Total	3.7%	26.9%	7.8%	6.3%	33.7%	8.5%	13.1%	100.0%
State Totals	55,811	135,493	16,510	47,594	109,596	28,272	38,930	432,206
% of Total	12.9%	31.3%	3.8%	11.0%	25.4%	6.5%	9.0%	100.0%

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1									
Camden	23	1	3	0	0	0	27	42.4	18.0
Chowan	28	1	1	4	0	0	34	58.6	28.0
Currituck	60	0	1	4	0	0	65	39.9	28.0
Dare	318	8	3	11	40	0	380	70.7	21.0
Gates	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	29.3	25.0
Pasquotank	127	18	6	1	0	1	153	44.3	21.0
Perquimans	26	2	5	8	0	0	41	112.5	62.0
District Totals	590	30	19	28	40	1	708	62.5	22.5
% of Total	83.3%	4.2%	2.7%	4.0%	5.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	211	11	28	79	19	3	351	123.0	40.0
Hyde	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	12.4	6.0
Martin	72	19	13	62	55	17	238	292.4	215.0
Tyrrell	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	26.4	34.0
Washington	32	0	4	1	0	0	37	48.0	21.0
District Totals	333	30	45	142	74	20	644	178.4	75.5
% of Total	51.7%	4.7%	7.0%	22.0%	11.5%	3.1%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	642	66	53	63	16	0	840	72.8	45.0
Craven	726	62	63	59	38	0	948	75.9	34.0
Pamlico	46	8	2	5	0	0	61	67.1	34.0
Pitt	1,057	92	162	140	6	0	1,457	71.2	45.0
District Totals	2,471	228	280	267	60	0	3,306	72.9	41.0
% of Total	74.7%	6.9%	8.5%	8.1%	1.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	182	7	7	14	3	0	213	53.6	26.0
Jones	40	0	3	3	1	0	47	50.9	19.0
Onslow	960	94	70	25	2	0	1,151	47.7	31.0
Sampson	264	16	9	3	2	0	294	45.2	31.5
District Totals	1,446	117	89	45	8	0	1,705	48.1	28.0
% of Total	84.8%	6.9%	5.2%	2.6%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	1,354	111	180	242	173	53	2,113	136.5	52.0
Pender	139	11	19	55	16	7	247	146.8	74.0
District Totals	1,493	122	199	297	189	60	2,360	137.6	54.0
% of Total	63.3%	5.2%	8.4%	12.6%	8.0%	2.5%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	51	4	7	5	0	0	67	63.4	27.0
Halifax	432	20	62	90	1	0	605	76.4	34.0
Hertford	158	14	6	7	0	0	185	42.6	21.0
Northampton	69	8	2	6	0	0	85	56.1	28.0
District Totals	710	46	77	108	1	0	942	67.0	28.0
% of Total	75.4%	4.9%	8.2%	11.5%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	618	63	76	128	61	4	950	110.2	49.0
Nash	714	92	81	71	21	5	984	82.1	49.0
Wilson	676	102	94	97	64	5	1,038	105.3	60.0
District Totals	2,008	257	251	296	146	14	2,972	99.2	53.0
% of Total	67.6%	8.6%	8.4%	10.0%	4.9%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 8									
Greene	54	3	19	20	7	0	103	125.2	59.0
Lenoir	533	58	56	38	7	0	692	63.0	39.0
Wayne	688	49	105	66	10	0	918	67.9	39.0
District Totals	1,275	110	180	124	24	0	1,713	69.4	40.0
% of Total	74.4%	6.4%	10.5%	7.2%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
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District 9									
Franklin	99	7	13	3	1	0	123	50.6	27.0
Granville	186	6	13	14	4	8	231	114.3	28.0
Person	163	14	16	8	4	0	205	56.8	26.0
Vance	371	16	27	39	19	10	482	105.1	40.0
Warren	54	5	13	6	6	0	84	99.5	50.0
District Totals	873	48	82	70	34	18	1,125	91.8	32.0
% of Total	77.6%	4.3%	7.3%	6.2%	3.0%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	3,853	436	548	624	238	131	5,830	118.7	62.0
% of Total	66.1%	7.5%	9.4%	10.7%	4.1%	2.2%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	354	23	26	11	13	23	450	128.0	33.0
Johnston	545	43	58	11	3	0	660	44.8	20.0
Lee	308	17	20	10	12	0	367	55.6	21.0
District Totals	1,207	83	104	32	28	23	1,477	72.8	25.0
% of Total	81.7%	5.6%	7.0%	2.2%	1.9%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	2,824	397	701	685	44	3	4,654	92.7	62.0
Hoke	216	18	33	24	9	0	300	87.5	55.0
District Totals	3,040	415	734	709	53	3	4,954	92.4	61.0
% of Total	61.4%	8.4%	14.8%	14.3%	1.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	207	20	5	19	20	0	271	85.1	39.0
Brunswick	328	29	56	23	6	0	442	68.3	32.0
Columbus	320	20	49	21	5	1	416	67.6	38.0
District Totals	855	69	110	63	31	1	1,129	72.1	34.0
% of Total	75.7%	6.1%	9.7%	5.6%	2.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	2,059	382	423	377	422	315	3,978	201.4	87.0
% of Total	51.8%	9.6%	10.6%	9.5%	10.6%	7.9%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	607	24	41	59	6	0	737	58.2	27.0
% of Total	82.4%	3.3%	5.6%	8.0%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	247	13	10	15	6	0	291	65.5	48.0
Orange	459	54	100	63	19	30	725	152.1	62.0
District Totals	706	67	110	78	25	30	1,016	127.3	55.0
% of Total	69.5%	6.6%	10.8%	7.7%	2.5%	3.0%	100.0%		
District 16									
Robeson	777	48	94	55	32	1	1,007	68.6	32.0
Scotland	270	4	6	11	10	43	344	220.4	21.0
District Totals	1,047	52	100	66	42	44	1,351	107.2	28.0
% of Total	77.5%	3.8%	7.4%	4.9%	3.1%	3.3%	100.0%		
District 17A									
Caswell	58	0	0	2	3	0	63	49.7	14.0
Rockingham	489	18	22	20	4	0	553	46.4	32.0
District Totals	547	18	22	22	7	0	616	46.7	32.0
% of Total	88.8%	2.9%	3.6%	3.6%	1.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	100	7	1	5	1	0	114	55.3	37.5
Surry	445	14	11	8	1	0	479	39.0	27.0
District Totals	545	21	12	13	2	0	593	42.2	28.0
% of Total	91.9%	3.5%	2.0%	2.2%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
District 18									
Guilford	5,272	858	1,296	1,359	344	6	9,135	110.4	74.0
% of Total	57.7%	9.4%	14.2%	14.9%	3.8%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	525	21	43	27	0	0	616	46.3	21.0
Rowan	503	30	24	9	9	0	575	49.4	27.0
District Totals	1,028	51	67	36	9	0	1,191	47.8	25.0
% of Total	86.3%	4.3%	5.6%	3.0%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	320	22	38	16	6	0	402	55.1	24.0
Randolph	648	62	53	38	14	1	816	62.5	39.0
District Totals	968	84	91	54	20	1	1,218	60.1	32.0
% of Total	79.5%	6.9%	7.5%	4.4%	1.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	177	2	7	9	4	0	199	46.6	19.0
Moore	372	39	43	76	55	0	585	112.1	54.0
Richmond	201	11	8	4	1	1	226	44.5	20.0
Stanly	189	9	6	1	0	0	205	28.3	14.0
Union	412	8	10	27	6	39	502	227.6	25.0
District Totals	1,351	69	74	117	66	40	1,717	119.4	27.0
% of Total	78.7%	4.0%	4.3%	6.8%	3.8%	2.3%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	1,507	114	198	379	591	147	2,936	216.7	87.0
% of Total	51.3%	3.9%	6.7%	12.9%	20.1%	5.0%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	138	12	2	13	7	0	172	82.2	38.0
Davidson	896	52	79	193	32	0	1,252	91.1	46.0
Davie	96	4	7	1	7	3	118	141.2	25.0
Iredell	718	45	71	30	36	31	931	116.5	33.0
District Totals	1,848	113	159	237	82	34	2,473	102.4	41.0
% of Total	74.7%	4.6%	6.4%	9.6%	3.3%	1.4%	100.0%		
District 23									
Alleghany	32	3	2	2	0	0	39	48.4	28.0
Ashe	55	3	5	5	5	6	79	157.7	26.0
Wilkes	221	25	27	32	48	43	396	219.0	73.0
Yadkin	52	1	0	1	0	0	54	42.6	24.5
District Totals	360	32	34	40	53	49	568	182.0	49.0
% of Total	63.4%	5.6%	6.0%	7.0%	9.3%	8.6%	100.0%		
District 24									
Avery	96	13	9	41	11	1	171	133.9	60.0
Madison	69	14	7	32	13	0	135	155.3	87.0
Mitchell	70	2	8	11	2	0	93	90.3	45.0
Watauga	126	15	16	16	8	0	181	88.6	48.0
Yancey	44	4	0	14	0	0	62	88.1	49.0
District Totals	405	48	40	114	34	1	642	114.9	59.0
% of Total	63.1%	7.5%	6.2%	17.8%	5.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	432	51	67	25	7	0	582	67.0	45.0
Caldwell	477	34	100	39	7	0	657	71.1	39.0
Catawba	835	52	47	41	11	8	994	69.0	33.0
District Totals	1,744	137	214	105	25	8	2,233	69.1	38.0
% of Total	78.1%	6.1%	9.6%	4.7%	1.1%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	5,774	798	972	1,498	950	429	10,421	180.7	74.0
% of Total	55.4%	7.7%	9.3%	14.4%	9.1%	4.1%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1986

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 27A									
Gaston	2,102	238	262	384	116	28	3,130	102.8	54.0
% of Total	67.2%	7.6%	8.4%	12.3%	3.7%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	532	17	23	11	4	3	590	44.5	19.0
Lincoln	332	7	19	25	10	3	396	68.8	28.0
District Totals	864	24	42	36	14	6	986	54.2	21.0
% of Total	87.6%	2.4%	4.3%	3.7%	1.4%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	1,190	95	137	163	10	0	1,595	68.0	38.0
% of Total	74.6%	6.0%	8.6%	10.2%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	436	32	39	52	29	17	605	106.5	40.0
McDowell	172	10	6	13	3	1	205	58.1	27.0
Polk	58	7	9	0	2	1	77	66.5	38.0
Rutherford	537	31	35	58	91	25	777	149.6	42.0
Transylvania	210	20	62	52	14	6	364	123.9	80.0
District Totals	1,413	100	151	175	139	50	2,028	119.7	41.0
% of Total	69.7%	4.9%	7.4%	8.6%	6.9%	2.5%	100.0%		
District 30									
Cherokee	251	25	68	76	25	33	478	182.9	88.0
Clay	33	2	2	2	0	0	39	56.7	34.0
Graham	31	0	1	8	0	0	40	63.3	24.0
Haywood	255	40	34	22	27	10	388	118.1	55.0
Jackson	78	0	5	1	21	0	105	112.9	40.0
Macon	84	3	2	14	12	20	135	263.1	52.0
Swain	38	1	5	3	2	2	51	143.6	14.0
District Totals	770	71	117	126	87	65	1,236	155.9	67.0
% of Total	62.3%	5.7%	9.5%	10.2%	7.0%	5.3%	100.0%		
State Totals	52,261	5,387	7,280	8,243	3,970	1,524	78,665	117.8	50.0
% of Total	66.4%	6.8%	9.3%	10.5%	5.0%	1.9%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1985 — June 30, 1986

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
District 1									
Camden	117	6	1	3	0	0	127	34.9	20.0
Chowan	439	8	2	2	5	4	460	37.3	16.5
Currituck	491	12	8	2	0	0	513	29.7	22.0
Dare	1,778	68	39	12	3	0	1,900	31.0	21.0
Gates	281	10	3	7	0	0	301	32.9	20.0
Pasquotank	1,952	41	24	13	2	1	2,033	29.0	21.0
Perquimans	308	4	6	3	3	4	328	45.3	19.0
District Totals	5,366	149	83	42	13	9	5,662	31.7	20.0
% of Total	94.8%	2.6%	1.5%	0.7%	0.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	2,900	23	29	9	5	0	2,966	18.5	11.0
Hyde	440	2	6	15	7	0	470	35.5	15.0
Martin	1,075	23	20	38	24	12	1,192	47.9	13.0
Tyrrell	221	1	1	0	1	0	224	25.7	16.0
Washington	607	2	11	14	0	0	634	22.7	12.0
District Totals	5,243	51	67	76	37	12	5,486	27.1	12.0
% of Total	95.6%	0.9%	1.2%	1.4%	0.7%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	3,832	276	395	242	76	4	4,825	62.4	31.0
Craven	5,512	298	320	199	39	17	6,385	45.9	23.0
Pamlico	628	46	30	15	6	0	725	40.9	21.0
Pitt	9,140	670	488	358	254	24	10,934	59.7	31.0
District Totals	19,112	1,290	1,233	814	375	45	22,869	55.8	28.0
% of Total	83.6%	5.6%	5.4%	3.6%	1.6%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	2,043	56	39	19	4	0	2,161	29.9	21.0
Jones	518	7	17	8	4	0	554	35.0	24.0
Onslow	10,083	420	288	110	8	0	10,909	31.4	18.0
Sampson	2,676	152	77	35	4	4	2,948	39.2	26.0
District Totals	15,320	635	421	172	20	4	16,572	32.7	20.0
% of Total	92.4%	3.8%	2.5%	1.0%	0.1%	.0%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	11,017	310	222	188	96	17	11,850	35.9	19.0
Pender	1,025	43	34	27	11	3	1,143	40.2	17.0
District Totals	12,042	353	256	215	107	20	12,993	36.2	19.0
% of Total	92.7%	2.7%	2.0%	1.7%	0.8%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	983	33	10	2	6	1	1,035	26.6	16.0
Halifax	3,727	162	139	74	37	5	4,144	4203.0	24.0
Hertford	1,489	41	24	4	3	2	1,563	30.0	20.0
Northampton	885	43	21	10	3	0	962	29.4	16.0
District Totals	7,084	279	194	90	49	8	7,704	36.1	21.0
% of Total	92.0%	3.6%	2.5%	1.2%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	4,115	251	263	177	29	1	4,836	47.9	25.0
Nash	5,551	353	338	227	29	20	6,518	50.6	28.0
Wilson	3,970	380	312	340	107	43	5,152	75.6	36.0
District Totals	13,636	984	913	744	165	64	16,506	57.6	29.0
% of Total	82.6%	6.0%	5.5%	4.5%	1.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 8									
Greene	741	55	45	13	3	1	858	44.0	29.0
Lenoir	3,847	294	256	153	11	0	4,561	50.1	32.0
Wayne	4,928	506	420	365	70	1	6,290	63.3	37.0
District Totals	9,516	855	721	531	84	2	11,709	56.7	35.0
% of Total	81.3%	7.3%	6.2%	4.5%	0.7%	.0%	100.0%		

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District 9									
Franklin	1,761	62	41	29	4	2	1,899	31.8	17.0
Granville	1,946	57	44	38	13	1	2,099	33.3	14.0
Person	1,626	49	51	19	25	6	1,776	45.8	25.0
Vance	2,962	136	119	68	5	2	3,292	39.0	22.0
Warren	718	14	28	17	1	0	778	29.1	13.0
District Totals	9,013	318	283	171	48	11	9,844	36.8	20.0
% of Total	91.6%	3.2%	2.9%	1.7%	0.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	22,379	1,704	1,488	1,970	553	46	28,140	67.8	39.0
% of Total	79.5%	6.1%	5.3%	7.0%	2.0%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	3,315	131	83	84	40	13	3,666	41.7	18.0
Johnston	4,725	204	165	89	2	0	5,185	34.6	21.0
Lee	3,563	100	131	57	10	2	3,863	34.2	18.0
District Totals	11,603	435	379	230	52	15	12,714	36.5	19.0
% of Total	91.3%	3.4%	3.0%	1.8%	0.4%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	15,305	1,696	1,923	1,732	91	36	20,783	67.4	37.0
Hoke	1,537	129	103	22	1	0	1,792	44.0	31.0
District Totals	16,842	1,825	2,026	1,754	92	36	22,575	65.5	37.0
% of Total	74.6%	8.1%	9.0%	7.8%	0.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	2,100	88	57	30	26	6	2,307	43.8	22.0
Brunswick	2,428	169	97	112	13	7	2,826	48.1	27.0
Columbus	3,390	115	83	85	5	0	3,678	37.6	24.0
District Totals	7,918	372	237	227	44	13	8,811	42.6	25.0
% of Total	89.9%	4.2%	2.7%	2.6%	0.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	10,573	963	968	685	111	133	13,433	72.6	34.0
% of Total	78.7%	7.2%	7.2%	5.1%	0.8%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	6,106	141	108	60	9	0	6,424	30.9	21.0
% of Total	95.0%	2.2%	1.7%	0.9%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	1,748	68	69	61	12	3	1,961	42.9	23.0
Orange	3,228	223	189	120	51	5	3,816	53.7	30.0
District Totals	4,976	291	258	181	63	8	5,777	50.0	28.0
% of Total	86.1%	5.0%	4.5%	3.1%	1.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 16									
Robeson	9,330	210	218	132	7	2	9,899	26.1	14.0
Scotland	3,413	60	35	38	39	0	3,585	29.4	15.0
District Totals	12,743	270	253	170	46	2	13,484	27.0	14.0
% of Total	94.5%	2.0%	1.9%	1.3%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
District 17A									
Caswell	788	4	10	5	5	1	813	27.1	15.0
Rockingham	4,337	97	58	70	28	0	4,590	35.0	22.0
District Totals	5,125	101	68	75	33	1	5,403	33.8	21.0
% of Total	94.9%	1.9%	1.3%	1.4%	0.6%	.0%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	1,151	90	29	19	2	1	1,292	43.9	33.0
Surry	2,670	160	121	47	6	1	3,005	43.0	30.0
District Totals	3,821	250	150	66	8	2	4,297	43.3	31.0
% of Total	88.9%	5.8%	3.5%	1.5%	0.2%	.0%	100.0%		

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District 18									
Guilford	18,552	2,583	2,978	3,619	1,602	56	29,390	103.7	60.0
% of Total	63.1%	8.8%	10.1%	12.3%	5.5%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	4,712	183	77	90	7	1	5,070	37.1	26.0
Rowan	4,212	96	90	63	3	0	4,464	33.3	22.0
District Totals	8,924	279	167	153	10	1	9,534	35.3	24.0
% of Total	93.6%	2.9%	1.8%	1.6%	0.1%	.0%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	1,970	97	63	72	3	0	2,205	38.9	24.0
Randolph	4,378	246	163	67	21	3	4,878	46.1	33.0
District Totals	6,348	343	226	139	24	3	7,083	43.9	31.0
% of Total	89.6%	4.8%	3.2%	2.0%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	1,515	70	75	36	15	5	1,716	49.3	27.0
Moore	4,338	135	102	61	48	17	4,701	37.9	18.0
Richmond	2,817	41	47	33	4	0	2,942	27.3	16.0
Stanly	2,658	72	61	13	2	0	2,806	28.9	19.0
Union	4,547	136	62	47	12	6	4,810	31.0	17.0
District Totals	15,875	454	347	190	81	28	16,975	33.8	19.0
% of Total	93.5%	2.7%	2.0%	1.1%	0.5%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	17,024	352	244	199	178	139	18,136	41.8	22.0
% of Total	93.9%	1.9%	1.3%	1.1%	1.0%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	1,113	44	24	21	8	3	1,213	42.4	26.0
Davidson	6,041	479	278	268	105	8	7,179	54.3	28.0
Davie	736	59	21	13	6	0	835	43.9	27.0
Iredell	5,166	281	354	173	34	44	6,052	59.7	31.0
District Totals	13,056	863	677	475	153	55	15,279	54.9	29.0
% of Total	85.5%	5.6%	4.4%	3.1%	1.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 23									
Alleghany	344	6	4	1	0	0	355	26.3	18.0
Ashe	581	26	16	16	4	9	652	45.4	15.0
Wilkes	2,842	81	52	19	7	84	3,085	57.4	15.0
Yadkin	858	36	17	2	7	0	920	28.5	14.0
District Totals	4,625	149	89	38	18	93	5,012		
% of Total	92.3%	3.0%	1.8%	0.8%	0.4%	1.9%	100.0%		
District 24									
Avery	387	20	28	18	15	1	469	66.1	31.0
Madison	405	38	25	18	3	1	490	56.5	36.0
Mitchell	365	38	5	16	6	0	430	55.2	36.5
Watauga	1,037	64	54	72	13	0	1,240	51.3	24.0
Yancey	310	27	12	9	2	0	360	48.5	36.0
District Totals	2,504	187	124	133	39	2	2,989	114.9	59.0
% of Total	83.8%	6.3%	4.1%	4.4%	1.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	3,545	265	153	174	18	4	4,159	48.8	27.0
Caldwell	3,073	184	212	198	32	0	3,699	53.4	28.0
Catawba	5,428	421	291	261	25	1	6,427	49.3	28.0
District Totals	12,046	870	656	633	75	5	14,285	50.2	28.0
% of Total	84.3%	6.1%	4.6%	4.4%	0.5%	.0%	100.0%		

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District 26									
Mecklenburg	27,160	2,426	2,188	2,309	743	163	34,989	71.5	35.0
% of Total	77.6%	6.9%	6.3%	6.6%	2.1%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	9,979	1,186	943	489	470	64	13,131	80.4	473.0
% of Total	76.0%	9.0%	7.2%	3.7%	3.6%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	4,584	107	50	55	22	17	4,835	39.9	21.0
Lincoln	2,926	80	36	46	11	1	3,100	35.5	23.0
District Totals	7,510	187	86	101	33	18	7,935	38.2	22.0
% of Total	94.6%	2.4%	1.1%	1.3%	0.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	10,675	347	243	411	115	2	11,793	42.5	24.0
% of Total	90.5%	2.9%	2.1%	3.5%	1.0%	.0%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	3,188	89	115	91	53	16	3,552	53.9	29.0
McDowell	1,316	28	29	16	15	7	1,411	45.9	23.0
Polk	436	41	22	15	0	1	515	43.8	27.0
Rutherford	2,529	201	177	103	52	12	3,074	66.6	36.0
Transylvania	1,085	64	58	31	7	2	1,247	45.9	23.0
District Totals	8,554	423	401	256	127	38	9,799	55.2	30.0
% of Total	87.3%	4.3%	4.1%	2.6%	1.3%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 30									
Cherokee	611	56	31	25	1	0	724	54.9	44.0
Clay	223	10	1	12	2	0	248	34.1	13.5
Graham	341	33	33	12	11	3	433	73.1	41.0
Haywood	2,078	68	70	23	8	4	2,251	36.1	21.0
Jackson	561	14	18	29	2	0	624	41.7	27.0
Macon	493	29	38	21	28	28	637	107.4	27.0
Swain	473	36	26	13	7	1	556	56.1	38.0
District Totals	4,780	246	217	135	59	36	5,473	52.4	27.0
% of Total	87.3%	4.5%	4.0%	2.5%	1.1%	0.7%	100.0%		
State Totals	366,030	22,161	19,692	17,553	5,636	1,134	432,206	54.3	28.0
% of Total	84.7%	5.1%	4.6%	4.1%	1.3%	0.3%	100.0%		